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The Elba Clipper

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Elba police officer found guilty of theft by deception

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

An Elba police officer, Michael Patrick, finally had his day in court on Tuesday morning. Patrick, age 44, of Elba, AL faced charges of two counts of theft by deception - a misdemeanor. He is a 15-year veteran in law enforcement. The arrest followed a complaint being filed against Patrick by Bancroft Cooper, owner of Elba Pawn and Gun.

The complaint filed with the Elba

Police Department alleged that Patrick pawned the title to two vehicles which he did not legally own for money. The amount of money involved in the transaction was \$150 for each of the titles/cars for a total of \$300.00.

Elba Chief of Police R. W. "Ronnie" Whitworth had requested that the Alabama Bureau of Investigation look into the matter of the complaint since it was filed against a member of his police department. Patrick was suspended

from the department when charges were brought against him. Patrick was found guilty after Circuit Judge Thomas Head heard testimony offered in District Court held in the Elba Courthouse. Judge Head heard the case after District Judge Steve Blair recused himself from hearing the case due to his dealings with Patrick as a police officer for the City of Elba.

The case was originally set for trial on June 9, 1998; however, due to a technicality with the warrants, a new complaint had to be signed and new warrants issued.

Patrick turned himself in to the Coffee County Jail on April 16, 1998, following an investigation into the matter by the ABI.

In court, Cooper testified that Patrick pawned the titles for a 1975 Dodge Dart and a 1982 Ford Thunderbird in exchange for \$150 each - \$300 total. He further stated that the agreement signed by Patrick stipulated that he could redeem both titles after repaying the \$300 plus a \$75 service charge (maximum allowed by the Banking Commission).

According to Cooper's testimony, Patrick had thirty days to repay the money followed by an additional 30-day grace period (60 days total). The agreement was signed on October 28, 1997.

Further testimony from Cooper indicated that in early March, Patrick attempted to pay part of the monies but he refused telling Patrick that the debt had to be paid in full plus any additional service charges

that had been incurred.

Cooper told the court that he had had a repossession company looking for the vehicles but they had been unable to recover them.

The court heard testimony from a supervisor from the Alabama Department of Motor vehicles that both the cars in question were titled to the accused; however, testimony from Debra Rogers Griffin, owner of the '75 Dodge Dart, revealed that she had never signed the title over to Patrick. The title of record had Mrs. Griffin's signature on it which she said was not hers.

Mrs. Griffin's husband, Larry, testified that he had given the title to Patrick in exchange for \$150. After his failure to repay the money, Patrick had garnished his wages for the full amount plus court cost. The car was later sold to a local salvage dealer for scrap.

Concerning the 1982 T-Bird, in a statement to an ABI agent, Patrick stated that he had given the title to that vehicle to Cooper by mistake. It was alleged by District Attorney Mark Fuller that he, Patrick, had not obtained "clear title" to this vehicle either but the state was unable to offer testimony to that effect.

After hearing the evidence, Judge Head found the defendant, Michael Patrick, guilty as charged in connection with the Dodge Dart and sentenced him to thirty days in the county jail and ordered him to pay restitution and court cost.

Patrick's attorney, G. A. Lindsey, indicated that he would file an appeal on behalf of his client.



GOVERNOR VISITS & BRINGS CHECK...Alabama Governor Fob James paid a surprise visit to Elba Tuesday afternoon. The governor "dropped by" as he was making a sweep through south central Alabama reportedly leaving "checks" in his path. Elba was no exception.

After making a few remarks concerning his stand on education and what his intentions were for the next four years as Governor of the State of Alabama, he presented Elba Mayor James Grimes (left) a check for more than \$40,000.00. Reportedly, this came as a very pleasant surprise to the mayor. City officials did not indicate what the monies would be used for. After a little handshaking with supporters and local government officials, the governor made a quick stop to view some work being done on Elba's levee by the National Guard.

Alabama National Guard clearing debris from Beaver Dam Creek

An engineering unit with the Alabama National Guard is in Elba for 10 days doing some much needed debris cleaning from the waterways surrounding the town. The

186th Engineers, of Dothan, arrived Monday with trucks and earth moving equipment large enough to do the job. They immediately began work in the creek bed of Beaver Dam Creek, removing years of built up silt (in many cases, islands) and the trees and other vegetation which has grown up on them.

The guard members are on special duty, having been activated by the State of Alabama, especially for this work in Elba. Some of the special earth moving equipment is being leased with funds from the Alabama Emergency Management Agency at the instructions of Governor Fob James.

According to Col. John Lyda Tuesday morning, the work is progressing faster than anticipated and they may be able to do some additional debris clearing before having to leave.

The water level in the creek is much lower this week than when it broke through the levee on March 8th and flooded the entire town with four to six feet of water. This week, excavating equipment and trucks loaded with dirt and debris are able to drive down the middle of the creek bed with very little threat of getting stuck.

The national guardsmen will also be doing some flood prevention work in Geneva.

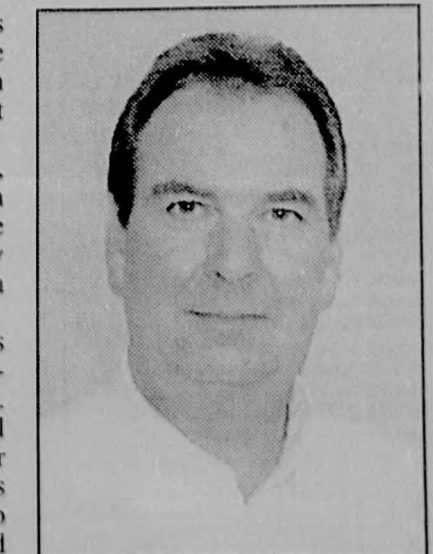
Weeks manages Sawyer Foods

Dykes Weeks, of Elba, has been named manager of the Sawyer Foods grocery store in Opp, AL. The announcement was made last week.

Weeks, a native of Kinston, has spent most of his adult life in the Elba area with his wife Kathy and their two sons. They own their home on Rt 5, Elba and continue to reside there.

He officially has twenty years experience in the grocery business, but it is actually a lifetime. His grandfather operated a small country store as did his father and Dykes spent many hours learning the trade from these two men. This makes him a third generation grocery man.

He said the strongest lesson learned from his father and grandfather was that each customer is important and should get special treatment every time they enter the store. While commenting on his pride



DYKES WEEKS in the promotion. Mr. Weeks said he is thankful for the many Elba grocery buyers shopping in the Opp store and he hopes to see more of his friends there in the future.

SEPTEMBER

Tropical Storm Earl developing into hurricane in Gulf of Mexico

At press time (Tuesday night), Tropical Storm Earl in the Gulf of Mexico was elevating toward a hurricane.

In a press release, the National Red Cross Office considered Earl a very serious storm. Gulf Coast States' emergency management agencies were reporting winds in excess of 61 knots (nearly hurricane strength) and water temperatures in excess of 90 degrees.

National Red Cross is comparing Earl, which is expected to become a hurricane soon, to Hurricane Opal in strength. The current projected track is very similar to that followed by Hurricane Danny in July of 1997. This could mean Earl could cross the tip of Louisiana and come into Alabama.

Landfall is currently projected for early Wednesday afternoon, September 2nd. At the very least, serious rainfall could produce flooding in lower Alabama - and at the worst, Earl could cause major

damage in the state. The Coffee County Red cross recommends that citizens review their Family Disaster Plan and take inventory of their emergency supplies in preparation for this possible storm threat.

Frequently listen to radio, TV, or NOAA Weather radio for official bulletins of the storm's progress.

Make sure your vehicles are fueled and serviced, inspect and secure mobile home tie downs, make preparations to cover all window and door openings with shutters or other shielding materials, check batteries and stock up on canned food, and medical supplies. Also, have on hand an extra supply of cash.

Check with your local emergency management agency and/or the local American Red Cross Chapter concerning the location of public shelters should you need a place to go.

Hurricane Season Not Over

Time & Temperature Back On



FAMILIAR LANDMARK BACK IN OPERATION...In preparation for the return of the main branch of The Peoples Bank back downtown, technicians have got the time & temperature sign back in operation. Now one can see how hot it is and at what time.

Sen. Shelby addresses Elba & Enterprise C of C's

Last week, U. S. Senator Richard Shelby paid a visit to Coffee County.

On Wednesday morning, August 26, the Senator was the guest speaker at a joint meeting of the Elba and Enterprise chambers of commerce at Cutts Restaurant in Enterprise. The general public was also invited to attend and have breakfast with Sen. Shelby.

He expressed his concerns about the threat of terrorist attacks, defense spending, scandal in the White House, and discussed flat rate taxes.

Sen. Shelby believes that the present system of collecting taxes is ineffective and that it can be made better and simpler at the same time.

One of his concerns is that the major portion of American families'

Area Happenings

AREA FOOTBALL. Area high school football games scheduled for Friday are as follows: Elba plays Laverne in Laverne; Zion Chapel is at home against Isabella; New Brockton plays host to G. W. Long; Kinston is at home against Wicksburg; and Brantley has home-field advantage against Georgiana. All games, unless otherwise noted, start at 7:30 p.m.

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS ANNOUNCED. City of Elba offices will be closed Monday, September 7, 1998, in observance of Labor Day. Sanitary crews for water, electrical, sewer and street emergencies will be available by calling the Elba Police Department at 897-2555. The garbage collection schedule is as follows: Monday's route will be picked up on Tuesday; Tuesday's and Wednesday's route will be picked up on Wednesday; Thursday and Friday is unchanged. The Town of New Brockton offices will also be closed on Monday, September 7, in observance of the holiday. Emergency services will be available by calling the police department at 894-5559. There will be no garbage collection on Monday.

CANDIDATE FAIR SCHEDULED. The Coffee County Republicans invite the public to a "Candidate Fair" Thursday (TONIGHT), September 3, 1998, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Enterprise Civic Center on Crawford Avenue in Enterprise. This is an informal meet-the-candidates gathering. All state-wide and local Republican candidates have been invited.

VIETNAM VETS MEET. The Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 373 will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday (TONIGHT), September 3, at the Clayhatchee Community building. The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. All veterans and their families are invited to attend. For more information call 347-1426 or 598-8804.

RECEPTION & OPEN HOUSE. A reception honoring Neil Harvison will be held at the Probate Office in Elba on Wednesday, September 9, 1998, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Harvison recently retired as chief clerk in the Probate Office and this reception had to be rescheduled due to the flood. Also, the public will be invited to tour the recently renovated Probate Office in the Elba Courthouse.

COUNTY BOE MEETING. The Coffee County Board of Education will meet Thursday, September 10, 1998, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room located in the Central Office in Elba.

OPINION

About Our Schools

BRAINSTORMS

Things continue to look positive in Elba. The Alabama National Guard has an engineering unit in Elba for a couple of weeks. They are removing debris from the waterways. It has taken some time to get this project started because of the Guard's other commitments around the state, necessary clearances from all sorts of federal agencies, etc. The guardsmen doing the work are being paid with state funds (through Emergency Management Agency, or EMA). We need to express our thanks to those in Montgomery who are responsible for funding this work.

On the local level, the local Radio Shack store is regrouping and getting ready for the Christmas season. Carpet folks are scheduled for this week in their building on the square. Wayne, wife Betty and daughter Lindsey just spent three days at a Radio Shack show and placed a whopping Christmas order, including computers, printers and other staples and frills of the company. We are thrilled to see them recover and reestablish their position on the square in Elba.

An after thought on the above is Betty Lawford's retirement from the banking business. After 26 years, (well she started as a child) she recently retired to help Wayne with their retail hardware and Radio Shack business. Knowing the Lawfords, we doubt the word "retire" means the same to them as to some folks. If you doubt that, drop by the hardware, and if she doesn't greet you as you enter, look in the back office and odds are you will find her up to her neck in some sort of book work, claiming that continuing fight to settle insurance claims from the March flood.

It is a little premature to talk about this, but we have got to tell it. The Elba Chamber of Commerce, Industrial Board and several other organizations are gathering their forces to do a major, long range promotion of Elba. They have the blessings and support of the city government on this project. It is going to take some money and there are indications many are willing to cough up the cash to support the effort.

We walked through the beautiful beauty shop of Denise Sauls recently. It is amazing what they have done with that old house across from the Methodist Church. A lot of people have commented on how nice it looks from the street and they are right. In fact they keep adding little extra touches to the building and grounds. For those who have not taken the time to look, we assure you the inside is even nicer!

Skinner Furniture is getting ready to move into a new facility at the corner of the bypass and MLK Drive. What we like about this is that they are staying in Elba. Right after the flood there was some concern about the firm remaining in Elba. Last week we mentioned that to a company executive and he said, "There was never any doubt about us staying here. Wayne Sutey and his staff do a great job for us and the Elba people are good customers." Now wasn't that nice of him to say that!

The Elba courthouse folks have scheduled an open house next week (Wednesday) in conjunction with a retirement ceremony for Nell Harrison. If you have not seen the renovated building, this would be a great time to look around and at the same time pay respects to Nell, who spent a lifetime taking care of our many courthouse needs while working in the probate office.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

August 25 thru August 31, 1998

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of August 25, 1998, through August 31, 1998. They were: Ruth Harrison, Mary Kelly, Betty Driggers, Donnette Hall, Mamie Donaldson, Ella Fair Hudson, Charles Bradley Cox, Lisa Grondine, Myzelle Prescott, Phyllis Hudson, George Stackhouse, Annette Bradshaw, Winnie James, Malinda Jones, Gladys Brooks, U. V. Daniels, Minnie Thigpen, Irene Mehaffey, Alma Caylor, Ray Sawyer, Bonnie Johnson, and Annie Bess Rowe.

Lisa Grondine, Winnie James, Ethel Nolin, Ruth Harrison, Malinda Jones, George Stackhouse, Annette Bradshaw, Mamie Donaldson, Gladys Brooks, Minnie Thigpen, Ray Sawyer, Irene Mehaffey, Alma Caylor, Ray Sawyer, Bonnie Johnson, and Annie Bess Rowe.

BULLETIN BOARD

• **SOCIAL SECURITY REP.** Courtroom: 4th Tues. 12:30-1:30. Call FREE 1-800-772-1213.
• **ROTARY CLUB** - Tuesday @ Noon-First First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
• **ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN.** - Tues. 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
• **ELBA CITY COUNCIL** - 2nd & 4th Monday - 6 p.m. - City Hall
• **WATER & ELECTRIC** - Tuesday following 2nd Monday - 6 p.m. - City Hall
• **COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION** - 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton
• **LIONS CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center
• **ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD** - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - City Hall
• **AMERICAN LEGION** - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
• **RESCUE SQUAD** - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 7 p.m. Rescue Sq. Bldg.
• **MUSONIC LODGE 170** - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month - 7 p.m.
• **BAND BOOSTERS** - 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School
• **VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER** - Mon-Fri. 8-12 noon & 12:30 - 4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894-3558
• **COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN.** - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Club House
• **COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN** - 3rd Wed. Noon- Colony Inn, Enterprise
• **AIRPORT AUTHORITY** - 1st Tuesday at noon, City Hall Conference Room
• **AARP** meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month

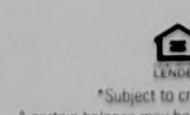


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Opinions about schools are a top conversation item in today's society. The American public deserves to know what public schools are doing and planning to do to prepare our young people for the twenty-first century.

Elba City Schools intends to inform the public, and certainly parents, about what is going on in our schools, to address the needs of our students and the community. We will be using several methods of information to do this. One will be articles on a monthly basis in *The Elba Clipper*.

Beginning with this article and continuing throughout the school year, each month we will be reporting on areas that should be of interest to the citizens of Elba. Secondly, we will continue to publish our

Elba Police Report

August 24 Thru August 30, 1998

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, August 24, 1998, investigated the following incidents: one attempted suicide, one property damage, seven thefts of property, two assaults, one harassing communication, one arson, and two harassments.

One arrest was made during the week for carrying a concealed weapon. Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: eleven for speeding, two for driving while driver's license are suspended, one for DUI, and one for improper passing. Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, AUGUST 24 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to U. S. Hwy. 84E past Veterans' Memorial park (1:11 a.m.); River stage - 3.02 feet (6:18 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Brunson Circle (11:30 a.m.); Fire alarm at Elba High School - fire department dispatched (7:33 p.m.); Minor wreck reported on Larkin Road (11:00 p.m.).

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25 - River stage - 2.95 feet (6:00 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Guyton Street (5:47 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Edgewood Drive (9:35 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made an emergency transfer from Elba General Hospital to Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan (10:40 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26 - River stage - 2.91 feet (6:21 a.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Cedar Lane Drive (3:38 p.m.); Alarm at Elba Cash & Carry (6:43 p.m.).

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 - River stage - 2.85 feet (6:28 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Brunson Trailer Court (10:44 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made an emergency transfer from Elba General Hospital to Dothan (1:15 p.m.); Rescue run to Mullins Apartments (2:34 p.m.); Disturbance (possible individual with a gun) on Flats Road (8:15 p.m.).

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28 - River stage - 2.75 feet (6:18 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Jackson Street (9:22 p.m.); Motorcycle accident reported on Martin Luther King Drive (9:40 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Martin Luther King Drive (9:41 p.m.).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 - Fire department dispatched to hay barn fire on U. S. Hwy. 84E (1:39 a.m.); River stage - 2.74 feet (6:08 a.m.); Alarm at Morrow Village (7:15 a.m.); Alarm at Southeast Pharmaceuticals (2:00 p.m.); Alarm at Kelly Foods (3:34 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on U. S. Hwy. 84E (4:19 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Washington Avenue (8:33 p.m.).

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30 - Rescue run to a residence on U. S. Hwy. 84E (2:36 a.m.); Coffee County EMS made an emergency transfer from Elba General Hospital to Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan (6:03 a.m.); River stage - 2.70 feet (6:12 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Jackson Street (6:14 p.m.); Rescue run to a residence on Brunson Circle (7:57 p.m.); Disturbance (loud music) reported on Morrow Street (8:43 p.m.).

first three weeks of school. Students have begun school with a willingness to learn, and teachers came prepared to teach.

We have several new staff members to recognize this year. *Elba Elementary School* welcomes Mrs. Lynn Irwin - assistant principal; Brenda Skinner - third grade; Jana Kelley - third grade; Mona Wise - second grade; Christine Greer - Special Education; Marcia Ballah - Special Education aide; Donna Ammons - talent pool; and Sherry Moore - CNP staff.

Mr. Mickey McCollough is principal at Elba Elementary. *Elba High School* welcomes Mr. Johnny Dunn - assistant principal; Amanda Collins - English; Kathy T. Griggs - English; Shelia Johnson - math; and Mike Waters - health coach.

Mr. Danny Weeks replaces Mr. David Stokes as EHS principal. Our central office has new faces but no strangers to our system. Mr. David Stokes now serves as Technology/Federal Programs coordinator. Mrs. Gloria Moseley is custodian of funds; Mrs. Peggy Baxley, payroll clerk/CNP bookkeeper; and Mrs. Kathy A. Smith is secretary to superintendent/Student Data.

We know all our new employees will join the rest of our staff in trying to provide the best possible education for our students. Several capital projects will be ongoing this year. Over \$125,000 in grants to correct erosion problems created by the March 7 rain has been approved, and construction will begin very soon on these projects. We have plans to finish the new softball/basball fields.

The City of Elba has just finished installing the lights and we are now beginning to complete this project. State Bond Issue monies will be available after Jan. 1, 1999, and we will be using these monies to acquire more modern technology in our classrooms, construct parking lots, begin some major maintenance programs, and hopefully construct a band room for the elementary school.

I hope everyone will take time to observe the football field and an attractive way it has been preparing for the season. Coach Sikes and his staff, along with Mr. Lamar Wilson, Mr. Tim Williams, and other volunteers, have prepared our stadium to be as attractive as any in the state.

We continue to work hard to improve student achievement by improving classroom instruction. Our teachers are involved in several professional development programs directed toward improving their instructional programs through the use of technology and other creative methods of instruction. Our entire staff is focused on helping our students reach their highest level of achievement and ability.

We have a lot to be thankful for in our community. Most of all, I am thankful for the support given to our schools.

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Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I am preparing a genealogical report (family history) on my relatives Jacob (Jake) and Susan McMillan-Christian. According to Freedman's Bureau records, Jacob and Susan were officially married Nov. 10, 1865. Both died in 1916. Jacob at 104 years old, and Susan in her 90's. Some of your readers might have information that could contribute to my project.

My great-great grandfather, Jacob Christian, a former slave, lived with his parents in Midway, Ala., when Mrs. Lewis Christian, the slave owner, sold Jacob's two brothers, Hal and Adam, to a slave owner, going to Texas between 1855-1863; other siblings were sold later.

A few years ago, with the help of the 1870 federal census records on Texas, I found Hal and Adam in Upshur County, Tex; many of their descendants still live there. Others left Texas, while many are scattered around Camp, Titus and Wood Counties, in East Texas. My cousin, the late Mamie Burkes, helped me find them, and told me the tragic story of Hal and Adam's childhood. Mamie died Jan. 2, 1997, at 100 years of age.

Another family elder, Annie B. Hill, recounted family stories about Jacob, Susan and the Midway community. Annie died March 3, 1998, at age 102. Mamie and Annie grew up in Midway.

As I began my research to find Jacob's parents and other siblings and to help identify Susan Christian-McMillan's relatives, I found several families with the surname "McMillan" living in Midway. In fact I found the McMillan family through Daniel McMillan (the slave owner) estate of 1851.

From the 1870 U.S. Census at National Archives in Washington, D.C., the first to enumerate African-American households, I found Jacob, his wife, Susan, and their seven children: Aaron - age 18; Davis - 11; Willis - 9; James - 8; Charlotte (Lottie) - 7; Jackson (Jack) - 6; and Adam - 1. Susan's 76-year-old father, Willis McMillan, also lived with them on the Feagan and Owens Plantation in Bullock County. By 1880 Jacob and Susan had two more children: Jake Jr. - 7, and Elizabeth

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Willis McMillan, now age 92, heads his own household, and his granddaughter, Susan Faulk, 18 years old, lives with him.

Orphan records show that Lewis Christian was guardian for Nathan Lewis. Nathan owned Jacob's eldest son, Aaron Christian and in 1861, Aaron's market value was \$1,300; he was 20 years old. Having been in possession of Nathan in 1862, Aaron accompanied Nathan as "ward" in the Confederate States Army. . . as a personal aide to his master.

According to 1870 census records, Jacob Christian was 42 years old and born in South Carolina; Jacob's slave owner, Lewis Christian, was also born in South Carolina. Of those who appeared in the 1870, and who might have been Jacob's siblings, several individuals are likely candidates. They had the same "Christian" surname as Jacob, were born in South Carolina, and shared the same Midway neighborhood as he did. There is Robert Christian - age 40; Isham - 42; Shadrack - 45.

By 1880 Jacob was in his late 40's. His neighbors were Hill Christian - age 28; Shade (also known as Shadrack) - 55; Isham - 46; Bob Sr. - 46 (also known as Robert); Jim - 48; Henry - 31; and Ceeley - 38, and Miley - 25, the only two female heads of households. Some of these neighbors might be Jacob's siblings.

I found Susan's family referenced in Daniel McMillan's 1851 estate where his property was divided among his heirs. The probate deed in Clayton County, Ala., and identified Susan's family, her parents, Willis and Harriet, and her siblings, and who Daniel McMillan distributed his slaves to among his family.

Children mentioned were: Jack, David, Hannah, Solomon, Susan, Tip, and Mingo. Any information about my "Christian" relatives will be appreciated. Leads may be found in letters, wills, birth/death/marriage certificates, Bible entries or oral history.

Please contact:
Laird (Larry) M. Street, 1337 Hamilton St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20011, 202/723-6320 (H).

Dear Mr. Ferrin,

I am writing to you in hopes of reaching your readers regarding our high school band.

If you were at the ball game Thursday night you experienced the excitement of this group. The band has doubled in size during the past two years; this is wonderful but does have its drawbacks.

As you know we could not have Band Day because of the flood. The Band Boosters have an account for band uniforms which we have made no contributions. In the next two years uniforms will be a necessity.

We are needing to replace band instruments now. I am asking all readers to look into closets, attics and under beds for any band instrument not being used. These may be donated to Elba high school, tax deductible, and would be a great help to the band.

Please consider a little "spring cleaning" in the fall. The Elba Marching Tiger Band is part of the community. We will appreciate your help in this "band instrument" drive. Thanks so much.

LUCIA S. GRANTHAM
President, Elba Band Boosters

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AREA DEATHS

KENNETH BURROWS

Mr. Kenneth Burrows died Aug. 26, 1998, in Medical Center, Enterprise. He was born July 7, 1916, in Covington County. Funeral services were held Aug. 29, 1998, at 12 noon at Poplar Springs Baptist Church with Dr. John L. Grayer officiating. Burial was in Hardshell Cemetery, Elba, with Coleman Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include four sons: Willie James (Frances) Johnson, Lake Wales, Fla.; Kenneth (Gussie) Burrows Jr., St. Louis, Mo.; Joseph (Helen) Burrows and Clarence (Ella) Burrows, New Brockton; three daughters: Eula Byrd, Enterprise; Linda (Robert) Johns, Atlanta, Ga.; Ruby (Frederick) Warren, Enterprise; a sister: Louvenia Rowe, Elba; a brother: Benjamin Burrows, Dundee, Fla.; 28 grandchildren.

QUESSIE DAWSON

Mrs. Quesie Dawson died Aug. 23, 1998, in a Ft. Walton, Fla., hospital.

Graveside services and burial were held Aug. 28, 1998, at 2 p.m. in Hardin Street Cemetery, Opp, with Rev. Dr. V.J. Coleman officiating, and Coleman Funeral Home directing. She was born Nov. 1,

1940. Survivors include children: Christopher, Malton, James, Donnie, Shelia, Patricia Dawson, all of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.; three sisters: Lucille (John) Wade, Elba; Thelma Williams, California; Margaret Dawson, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.

MARK LEWIS GRABLE SR.

Mr. Mark Lewis Grable Sr., age 84, of Montgomery, died Aug. 26, 1998, at his residence.

Funeral services were held Aug. 29, 1998 at 3 p.m. at Leak-Memory Chapel, with Rev. Jay Wolf officiating. Burial followed in Greenwood Cemetery with Leak-Memory Chapel directing.

Survivors include his wife: Letha

Law Grable; one son and daughter-in-law: Mark Lewis Grable Jr., and Madge Richardson Grable, Frederick, Md.; two daughters and son-in-law: Shirley Grable, Atlanta, Ga.; and Carol G. Pierce and Barton Pierce, Carthage, Mo.; two brothers: Ivan Grable, Elba, and R.O. Grable; a sister: Ruth Inman, Elba; four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren.

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The family of Pat English would like to thank the staff of the 1998 Elba for the dedication of this year's Elba to her memory. We greatly appreciate each of you thinking of her in this way.

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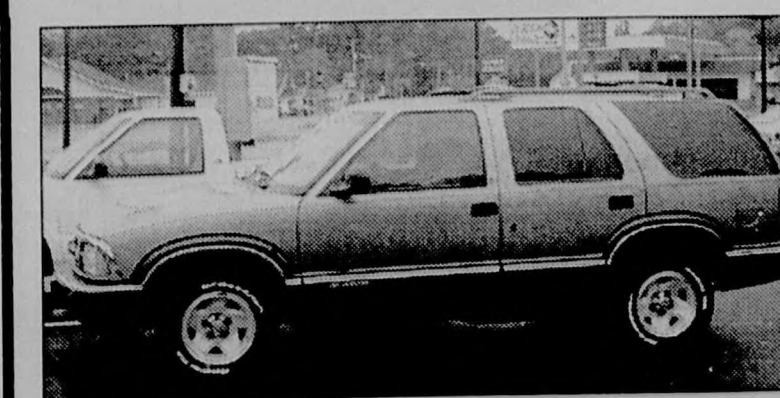
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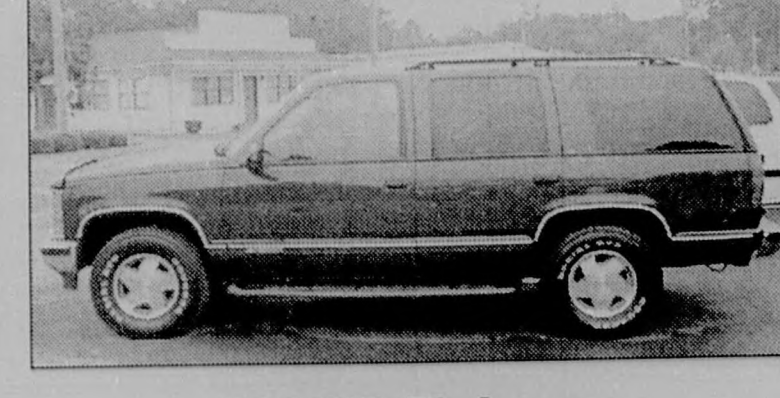
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CHURCH & COMMUNITY



VIOLA ALLRED WAS HONORED recently by the Elba City Library Board with a plaque for 35 years of dedication and service. Pictured left to right is: Carolyn Brunson, Nancy Morrow, Charlotte Clark, Viola Allred-Honoree, Doris Taylor, Kate Murphree and Herb McCall.

Youth evening will be held at New Brockton Methodist Church

A "Youth Evening with Rick" will be held at the New Brockton United Methodist Church on Wednesday evening, Sept. 9, beginning at 6 o'clock. Rick is the youth minister from Opelika First UMC. All area youth are invited to attend.

Mustard Seed Seniors meet

The Mustard Seed Foundation Seniors met Aug. 27 for a time of fellowship, games and a luncheon. Several members were missing due to illness.

Those who attended include: Diane Hudson, Mattie Lou Goodson, Inez Wambles, Ted Smart, Eva Kelly, Louise Wambles, Joe Hussey, Dorothy Nell Crawley, Zealton Smith, Margie Smith, Harper Smart, Eavie Jirright, Rushia Blanton, Johnny Hall, Mary Seavey, Sammie Wambles, Pauline Wood, Sis Wambles, Jean Givens, Tip Smart.

The seniors invite others to join them. For information call 897-647 or 735-2453.

ROUND AND ABOUT WITH ERIA 897-2006

***Scripture: Prov. 31:28

***Thinking of you, praying for you: The Dawson and Larkin families: Lucile Wade, Jessica Pearson, Jessie Starks, W.H. Caldwell, Noble Rayburn, Lennie R. Davis, Lue Headd, Maggie Headd, John E. Folmar, Rev. E. Magwood, Grover Belcher, Ella M. Brooks, Catherine Williams, Lucile Wade, Mary S. Dawson.

***September Birthdays: D.J. Belcher - Sept. 5; R.C. Carpenter - Sept. 13; Annie Pearl Carpenter - Sept. 22; Derrick Duncan - Sept. 23; September Anniversaries: Wiley and Juanita Brooks - Sept. 1; Grover and Eria Lindsey Belcher - Sept. 12; R.C. and Annie Pearl Carpenter - Sept. 29.

***Annual Ushers Anniversary of the Mt. Olive #2 Missionary Baptist Church, Banks, Ala., Rev. J.C. Folks, pastor, Sunday, Sept. 6, 2:30 p.m. Guest minister - Rev. A.R. Williams, pastor, Rocky Head Baptist Church, Elba.

Theme: "In God is my salvation and my glory; the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God." Devotional service - Kevin Griffin and James L. Nickson; welcome and occasion - Sis. Lois Starks and Sis. Shirley Liptrout; usher's pledge - Sis. Willie Delma Thomas; music - guest choir, duties of an usher - Sis. Bernita Haynes; usher's prayer - Sis. Pearl Outley; solo - Sis. Jewel Chance; invited churches - Pleasant Hill, County Line, First Baptist, St. Paul A.M.E., White Water, Morning Star, Bethel, Shiloh (Troy), First Independent Holiness, Mt. Nebo, Mt. Herman, Shady Grove, Old Mt. Pleasant, (231), Elam Baptist Church, Bethel A.M.E. (Brundidge), New Shiloh, Church of God in Christ, Sweet Pilgrim, Mt. Carmel, Union Baptist, Shiloh (Tarentum), Antioch, Lilly Hill, St. John, First Baptist (Goshen), Macedonia, Pilgrim Rest, New Mt. Pleasant, Lilly Baptist.

The group will perform at Country Cathedral, Hwy. 84 East of Opp, Sunday evening, Sept. 6, beginning at 6 o'clock. There is no admission charge.

Sweet Spirit to sing at area churches

Bob Scott and Sweet Spirit from Meadville, Miss., will be in concert at Harvest Time Assembly of God, Hwy. 52, Samson, on Sunday, Sept. 6, at 11 a.m.

The group will perform at Country Cathedral, Hwy. 84 East of Opp, Sunday evening, Sept. 6, beginning at 6 o'clock. There is no admission charge.

Minors Chapel to hold services

Minors Chapel Church, on Hwy. 87 between Elba and Troy, will be open under the ministry of a new pastor, on Sept. 6, with services at 11 a.m.

The public is welcome. Directions will be marked with a sign at top of hill.



Emma Jean Hill Celebrates 38th Birthday

"Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her." Prov. 31:28

Emma Jean Hill Reed celebrated her 38th birthday on Aug. 23 in her home on Taylor Mill Road, Elba, with her husband, Mike Arthur, and children, Michael, Mark, Marvin, Tory, Matthew, Max, Marchello, Tasha, Tina and Marty.

Her son, Michael, a student at Miles College in Birmingham, wrote this poem for her:

Mother (Created just for you) If I could talk to angels, I'd ask the lucky one That watches over you To make sure you have The happiest birthday ever, And get lots of compliments, Hugs and presents That make you smile.

Then I'd put in a special order To make sure All your wishes come true In the year ahead, Happy Birthday!

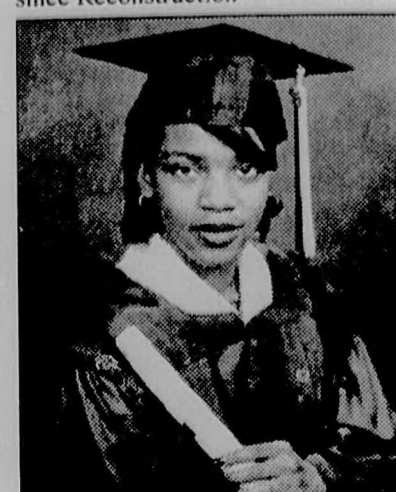
***The pastor and members of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Elba, pastor Rev. J.R. Parks, will celebrate the church's 107th anniversary Sunday, Sept. 6, beginning at 2:30 p.m. Sermon - Rev. H. Shy, pastor Oak Grove Baptist Church, Troy. All churches invited.

***Youth Need To Know: African American History - September

***Monthly Motivation: Some people change jobs, spouses, and friends - but never think of changing themselves. Paula Giddings, writer.

1970: On this day, Sept. 1, Dr. Hugh Scott becomes the first African American superintendent of schools in a major U.S. City.

Washington, D.C. 1975: On this day, Sept. 2, Joseph W. Hatcher of Tallahassee, Fla., is sworn in as the state's first African American Supreme Court Justice since Reconstruction.



Requita Renese Belcher Gifted, talented and committed African American young lady

Requita Renese Belcher is a 1998 graduate from Holy Family High School in Birmingham. She is a freshman at the University of North Alabama in Florence. Her major is Criminal Justice.

She is a 1997-98 debutante, Imperial Club, Inc., is listed in All American Scholars, United States Achievement Awards, and is in "Who's Who Among National High School Students."

Requita is the youngest of three daughters of Robert (formerly of Elba) and Judy Boykin Belcher of Birmingham. Her grandparents are Wallace and Mattie Belcher of Elba.

***Homecoming and Revival: Bethel A.M.E. Church, Goshen, Minister T.L. Gambles, Sept. 7 - 9, 7:30 nightly. Evangelist for the week - Rev. T.H. Somers. Homecoming hour - 2:30 p.m. speaker - Rev. W.O. Edwards, Opp; theme - John 3:3.

Revival services - Monday night - Bethel A.M.E., St. Mark A.M.E. and St. Paul A.M.E. of Troy; St. Matthews of Brantley, Pilgrim Rest and St. Mark of Glenwood; Tuesday - Dunn's Chapel, Pleasant Ridge, Mt. Hillard, Friendship of Glenwood, Macedonia and Springfield; Wednesday - Old Mt. Zion, New Mt. Zion, Clay Hill, St. Paul A.M.E. of Ozark; Rock West, Holly Springs, Pleasant Hill of Luverne and Goshen First Baptist.

***Today is a good day - be grateful! ERIA



Miss Mathews

Mathews-Kennedy wedding planned for Saturday, September 19

Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Mathews of Brantley announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tracy Lane, to Mr. Kevin Samuel Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Samuel Kennedy of Brantley.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Merle Green and the late David O. Green of Red Level, and Mrs. Ruby Mathews and the late Jack Mathews of Brantley.

She is a graduate of Brantley High School. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Science from Troy State University and is employed in Montgomery.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Barton Smith of Brantley, and the late Eunice Kennedy and Mr. Clyde Kennedy of Opp.

He is a graduate of Brantley High School and holds an Associate of Science degree in Forestry from Lurleen B. Wallace Jr. College. He is employed with a logging firm in Brantley.

The wedding will be held Sept. 19 at 5:30 in the afternoon at Weed Baptist Church in Brantley. All family and friends are invited to attend.

Jubilee Festival to be held in Daphne

The Eastern Shore Chamber of Commerce will present the 10th annual Jubilee Festival in Olde Towne Daphne Sept. 12 and 13, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. each day.

Everything from nut crackers to fine art will be available. A big hit is the Kid's Fair, located in Centennial Park, across from the Daphne City Hall, and includes moon walk, spin art, puppets, etc. Entrance to the show is free and tickets for games are only 25 cents each.

Food from seafood to traditional hot dogs and onion blossoms will be served, as well as tasty drinks. T-shirts and posters, designed and sold by a local artist, will be available, and entertainment will feature the Navy Steel Band from New Orleans, as well as local talent.

Old Towne Daphne is located south of I-10 off Ala. State Hwy. 98, and there is plenty of parking.

For more information call Mary Brabner at the Eastern Shore Chamber of commerce at 334/928-6387 or visit the chamber's website at www.eschamber.com.

MacArthur lists honor students

Students named to the President's List during Summer Quarter 1998 at MacArthur State Technical College included:

Elba - Timothy Cauley, Jacqueline Jackson, Kinston - Ashley Simmons; New Brockton - Holly Watson

Dean's List students included: Elba - Buford Bryan, Sonya Cauley, Melissa Drewery, Julian Mitchell, Leona Siler, Kelyn Williams; Brantley - Teresa Dorsey; Jack - Tanya Dewberry.

President's List requires A average; Dean's List - Grade Point Average - 3.5.

"Holidays in the South" bazaar committee looking for entries

The "Holidays in the South" bazaar committee is looking to fill spaces for this year's event, which will be held Saturday, Nov. 14, at Yano Hall on Ft. Rucker, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

This is a traditional event sponsored by the NCO-EM Wives' Club and the Officers' Wives' Club of Ft. Rucker.

All items submitted must be handcrafted. Spaces are \$45 for a 10x10 space and \$90 for a 10x20. For more information or an application contact Claudia Clark at 503/1115 or Dara Perezlew 774-4074.

The bazaar is open to the general public and there is no admission charge.

Red Cross to offer classes

The Coffee County American Red Cross will hold the following classes in September:

Adult CPR - Monday, Sept. 14, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

First Aid - Thursday, Sept. 17, 6-9 p.m.

Infant Child CPR - Saturday, Sept. 19, 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Price of the class is \$25.00 for one class; \$30.00 for two; or \$35.00 for all three classes. All classes will be held at the Enterprise Civic Center.

Registration and payment are required 24 hours before class date. Interested persons may register at the Enterprise Civic Center 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. weekdays.

For more information call 347-2461.

Miss Young and Mr. Allen plan November wedding

Judy and Harry Young of Elba, and the late Josie Bowling of Killeen, Tex., announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Sharon Lynn, to Kevin Lavon Allen, son of Dretta and Keith Graham of Brantley, and the late Steve Allen of Jack.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mary and James Reed of Cumberland, Md.; Rea Young and the late John T. Young of Elba, and Jewell Turner and the late Obie Turner of Victoria.

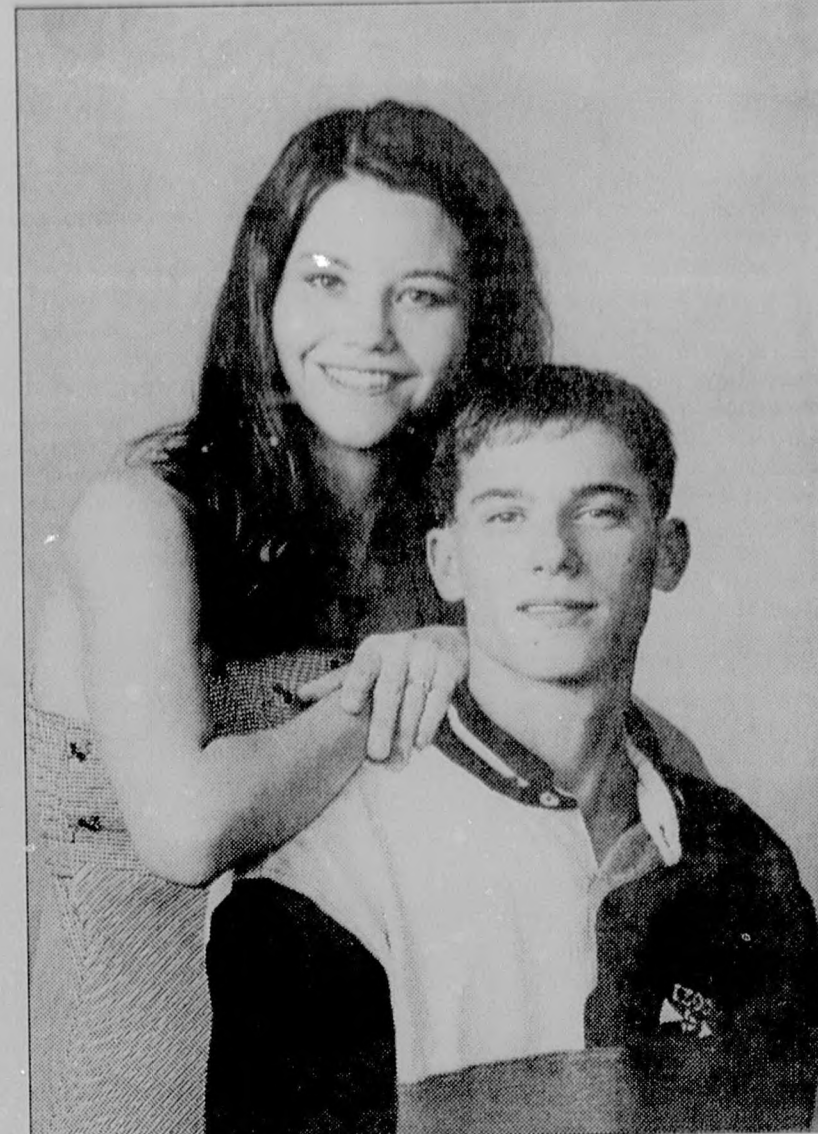
She is a 1995 graduate of Zion Chapel High School and attends Lurleen B. Wallace Jr. College in Andalusia. She is employed at a restaurant in Elba.

The future groom is the grandson of Martha and Hayward Nelson of Elba; the late Geraldine and Elvin Allen of Jack; and Jeanette and Neal Graham of Elba.

He is a 1996 graduate of Zion Chapel High School and attends Lurleen B. Wallace Jr. College in Andalusia. He is employed at an Elba restaurant.

The wedding will be an event of Nov. 21, at two o'clock in the afternoon at Whitewater Baptist Church, Hwy. 125 north of Elba, with reception to follow in the church fellowship hall.

All friends and family are invited to attend.



Miss Young, Mr. Allen

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BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Milton Harrington, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.		ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHET J. E. Wesley, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Sunday Afternoon - 3:30 p.m. Wed. Service - 7:00 p.m.	
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CHESNUT GROVE METHODIST Rev. Bennett Abbott, Pastor Church Service - 9:30 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays Sunday School - 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays		ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Robert Paul, Pastor Sunday School - 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 10:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 6:15 p.m.	
CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST E. H. Hill, Minister Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sundays		ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Shirley Ellis, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 10:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 7:00 p.m.	
DANASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. William Frank, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship - 7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.		ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Marvin Ennis, Pastor Sunday School - 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 10:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	
DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH Donnie Marler, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training - 5:00 p.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.		FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. William Frank, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.	
EASON BAPTIST CHURCH Bernard Strickland, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 6:15 p.m.		Faith Chapel Community Church Danny Sherrer, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.	
FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON Danny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.		FRRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Andy Marler, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 7:00 p.m.	
GREATHER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Willie L. Peterson, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m.		HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 10:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 7:00 p.m.	
LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Greg Hancher, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service - 7:00 p.m.		LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Tues. Evening - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 7:00 p.m.	
MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sundays		MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH Richard Moss, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.	
MT. ZION HOLINESS Jimmie Bryan, Minister Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting - 7:00 p.m.		MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Eddie Davis, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.	
NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Walter Faulk, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service - 6:00 p.m.		NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH J. C. Turner, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.	
MUSTARD SEED FOUNDATION Mary Seavey, Pastor Sunday Morn. Service - 10:30 a.m. Even. Service - 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service - 5:00 p.m.		NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Lorral Flowers, Minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays	
NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. Heron & Linda Williams, Ministers Sunday - 10 & 11 a.m. Sunday Even. - 7:00 p.m. Wed. Even. - 7:30 p.m. Fri. Even. - 7:30 p.m.		OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:30 a.m. Wed. Prayer Service - 7:00 p.m.	
NEWBRIA BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Charles K. Jones, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 7:00 p.m.		PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Rev. Keith Price, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service - 7:00 p.m.	
NEW BROCKTON METHODIST Rev. Ben McKee, Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.		ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH Rev. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:30 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.	
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SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH Campbell Sasser, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Even. Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. - 7:00 p.m.		THE SHEPARD'S FOLD CHURCH OF GOD Lamar Dean, Pastor Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship - 11:00 a.m. Evangelistic Service - 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study - 7:00 p.m.	

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On The Air



by Blake Weeks

Cyndi Smith, a senior at Zion Chapel, is the new afternoon disc jockey at WZTZ. She can be heard Monday thru Friday from 1:30-6:00 and on Sunday from 1:00-5:00.

Cyndi, a member of Zion Chapel's Community Co-Op Class, began on-the-air training in early August. She has many responsibilities aside from playing music. She is responsible for removing news from the wire, answering the hotline to take requests, reading weather reports, inquiring news stories at the appropriate times, and make-up questions for the afternoon T.V. trivia.

"When asked about the job, Cyndi said, 'I like the regular hours, and the more time I'm on the air, the more comfortable I feel.'"

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ZC On Extended School Year Schedule

by Alisha Walker

The schools in Coffee County have adopted a new kind of schedule for the 1998-99 school year. The schedule is called an extended school year schedule. School is attended the same number of days, the days are just spread out.

There is more time for holidays. A week that includes Columbus Day, a week at Thanksgiving, three weeks at Christmas, two weeks for Spring Break, as well as the traditional holidays like Labor Day, Veterans Day, and President Day are included in this new schedule.

People were interviewed to see how students, faculty, and staff felt about the new schedule. Chan Grantham said, "I think I will enjoy it a lot better than the regular school year. Our vacations are extended."

Alan Sanders said, "I think it's cool 'cause our vacations are longer but we still go for the same amount of time."

Kendra Ward said, "Great." Michelle McIntosh said, "I like it because we get 2 weeks for Spring Break."

Felecia Williams said, "I think it is good."

Mrs. Joan Hobbs said, "I believe

we'll have less remediation after the summer. Perhaps our dropout rate will decrease due to less student burnout and decreased apathy."

Christina Shuman said, "I think I'm going to enjoy the new school calendar. It's going to be kind of hard to adjust but when we get into it, it will be a whole lot easier. I mean, you can't get any better than going a few weeks and out for a few. Rest and Relaxation will be ours."

Tara Grant said, "I think I'll like it better. We get more time off during the year."

Morgan Hodge said, "I think I'm going to enjoy the extended school year better. I get really stressed during school. I need those breaks."

ZCMiddle School Elects SGA Officers

Wesley Grant has been elected president of the Zion Chapel Middle School Student Government Association (SGA). Other officers are Vice President Jamey White, Secretary Amber Henderson, Treasurer Bobby Pennington, and Reporter Ashley Smith.

Plans for the Fall Festival was the first item on the agenda at the initial meeting. Activities discussed were having a Haunted House and a Bingo Game at the Fall Festival, and have a Fall Festival Queen from the Middle School.

This activity was considered a big success for the Middle School last year and there is a great deal of support for having the same activity again this year. Planning will continue throughout the next month and definite responsibilities and assignments will be announced at the next meeting. Members decided that the best course of action was to not obligate any amount of money to



Pictured (l-r) are: first row - Wesley Grant, Jamey White, Amber Henderson, Bobby Pennington, and Ashley Smith; second row - Anna Miller, Allan Harrison, Michael Sneed, Dawn Johnson, and Roy King; third row - Josh Smith, Shannon Allen, Anna Edmondson, and Kena Roberts.

any project based on projected income. The SGA will wait to see how much money is actually earned at the Fall Festival.

SGA Representatives are Anna Miller, Allan Harrison, Michael

Parking Lot Rules At ZC

by Charlie Maddox

Parking areas at Zion Chapel are in front of the main building, beside the gym, and paved and marked area behind the school.

Faculty, staff, and students are assigned parking spaces and must park in designated areas. Visitor parking is the large area in front of the Science-Vocational Building. There are also two visitor parking spaces beside the front door to the main building.

Visitors are asked to remember that if they park in an assigned place they are making it difficult for someone who has to park in an assigned place.

The assignment of parking places and traffic control is under the direction of the FPA and its sponsor, Mr. John McQuinn. There are traffic rules and failure to follow these rules will result in a citation or a fine. All fines are

\$2 and failure to pay the fines will result in the loss of driving privileges. Revenue resulting from fines will go to the FFA.

The major rules are the following. Traffic signs must be obeyed. The speed limit on campus is 5 miles per hour. All parking will conform to marked-off areas. Parking on a line or over a line is prohibited. Motorists must yield to pedestrians. There will be no loitering and vehicles must be removed from the parking lot immediately after school.

Students should not leave purses, radar detectors, books, stereos, or other valuables clearly visible in unattended vehicles, and vehicles should be locked. Students must exit their vehicles immediately upon arriving at school and will not be allowed to return to their vehicles until after school.

SUPPORT YOUTH & EDUCATION

Students Attend FBLA National Leadership Conference

Zion Chapel students Tara Grant and Laura Williams and New Brockton student Paul McMonagle attended the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) National Leadership Conference which was held in Orlando, Florida, in July. These students were accompanied by Mrs. Rachel Bryan and Mrs. Anita Grant, FBLA sponsors at Zion Chapel.

The group from Coffee County traveled with the Alabama Delegation which was large enough to require two chartered buses. Some members of the delegation taught a bus that left from Birmingham and others met a "southern" bus that left from Montgomery and stopped in Troy and Ozark. The Coffee County personnel met the bus in Troy at 1 a.m. on July 5. After picking up students and teachers from Enterprise and Samson in Ozark, the next stop was Orlando where the first order of business was breakfast.

After breakfast the group was bused to Sea World where they spent the day. About 4 p.m. the group was picked up and bused to their hotel where they were met by Dr. Sandra Yelverton, State FBLA advisor, who had registration packets and keys to hotel rooms.

After a couple of hours of rest the group attended the Opening General Session where they heard a motivational speaker. After this session, held at Walt Disney's Dolphin Hotel, students looked for the rooms where their particular contests would be held on Monday.

Tara and Paul both competed on Monday. Tara was a state winner in Introduction to Parliamentary Procedure and Paul was a state winner in Information Processing. Monday night there was another general session as well as a meeting for the states from the southern region.

Tuesday was the day to attend seminars and other learning activities. It

also included some free time and the group from Zion Chapel took the opportunity to spend several hours at Disney Downtown, an area of stores, shops, and attractions. Disney Downtown is where Orlando's Planet Hollywood is located and this is where the group ate on Tuesday night.

Wednesday morning began with another southern region meeting and Laura Williams was introduced as Alabama's Who's Who in FBLA. Mrs. Bryan was also introduced at Alabama's Adviser of the Year. Mrs. Bryan was introduced again Wednesday night at the General Session. Each state selects an adviser of the year and they are presented with a certificate and a gift. They also participate in a parade of advisers. Laura was also introduced during the Awards Ceremony with Who's Who winners from other states.

Thursday was the day to come home except there was a stop on the way—a long stop. Members of the delegation could spend the day at Walt Disney World, Epcot, or MGM Studios. All three places were visited but everyone met again at 11 p.m. for the rest of the trip home. Mrs. Bryan, Mrs. Grant, Tara, Laura, and Paul arrived back in Troy at 7 a.m. on July 9.

ZC Varsity Cheerleaders Attend Camp

by Kendra Ward

A chance to attend the Citrus Bowl in Orlando, Florida, in January, was the end result of the week's activities for the Zion Chapel cheerleading squad at the TSU camp.

The members of the Zion Chapel cheerleading squad attended a UCA camp at Troy State University July 7-10, 1998.

The Varsity cheerleaders are Kendra Ward, Kayla Eddins, Jessica Cotton, Rebecca Ward, Mallorie Belsode, Christina Shuman, Daphne Jirright, Christie Roberts, Sarah Maddox, and Nichole Mitchell. Their sponsor is Mrs. Michele Templin. Many of the cheerleaders competed in different events.

July 7 the cheerleaders arrived at Troy State University. This day they met their buddy for the 4-day camp. Also, pictures of the squads were taken. Since Zion Chapel cheerleaders commuted they had a little time to eat lunch and rest. The second day of camp, competitions such as a jump off and Stunt off took place where the person with the best jumps and best stunts earned a ribbon. Kendra Ward and Nichole Mitchell participated in the jump off. Kendra won the jump off and got a blue ribbon. Christina Shuman, Mallorie Belsode, and Kendra Ward participated in the stunt off and made it to the final round.

The third day was Spirit Day. All the squads dressed up in different things. Zion Chapel cheerleaders each wore a different uniform. Also on the third day Kendra Ward and Jessica Cotton, the two seniors, competed in the All-Star tryouts, which consisted of one jump, a dance, and a cheer. Kendra made it and earned a chance to go to



Pictured (l-r) are: first row - Kendra Ward, Kayla Eddins, Jessica Cotton, Rebecca Ward, and Mallorie Belsode; second row - Christina Shuman, Daphne Jirright, and Christie Roberts; third row - Sarah Maddox and Nichole Mitchell.

London. Cheer Olympics was held the third day also. Two competitions were held during cheer olympics, the sit-up competition and the push-up competition. Mallorie Belsode and Rebecca Ward participated in the Push-up category, and Kayla Eddins and Sarah Maddox participated in the sit-up competition.

The last day the squad competed in the cheer and chant competition. Zion Chapel cheerleaders won the cheer competition and received an invitation to cheer at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando Florida. They also received many Excellent and Superior ribbons during the weekly evaluations.

Coffee County Schools Menu
Sept. 7 - 11, 1998

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
Monday - Holiday - Labor Day Tuesday - Cheese Grits, Toast, Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk Wednesday - Biscuits, Sausage, Link, Cereal, Syrup or Jelly, Juice, Milk Thursday - Apple Cinnamon Muffin, Cereal, Juice, Milk Friday - Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Monday - Holiday - Labor Day Tuesday - Steak Sandwich or Corned Beef, Cereal, Slaw, French Fries, Fruit Cobbler, Milk Wednesday - Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce or Pepperoni, Pizza, Veggie Sticks w/dip, Breaded Okra, Fruit, Milk, Jelly Thursday - Ham Sandwich or Taco Salad, Green Beans, Whole Kernel Corn, Fruit, Ice Cream, Cup Crackers, Milk Friday - Beef & Cheese Nachos or Chicken Nuggets, Creamed Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit, Rolls, Milk

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VICA Spotlight



by Deana Gifford

This week's VICA Spotlight focuses on Diana Jackson. Diana is an employee at Elba Elementary School where she serves as an assistant secretary. Some of her duties include answering phone calls, typing, and filing papers. Diana is the daughter of Diane and Junior Jackson and is a senior at Elba High School. She is a member of FBLA, Mu Alpha Theta, VICA, Journalism Staff, Sr. Beta, Alabama Quarter Horse Association, American Quarter Horse Association, Rocking Horse Breeders Association, Walking Horse Breeders Association, and the Elba High School. She likes to read and enjoys riding and showing horses.

Diana plans to attend Auburn University after she graduates, majoring in Veterinary Medicine.

Tiger Tales



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EES Has New Vice Principal



LYNN IRWIN

Mrs. Lynn Irwin, the vice principal at Elba Elementary School, was warmly welcomed this school year by the faculty, staff, and students. She stated, "I really enjoy being a part of this friendly little town."

Mrs. Irwin is a graduate of Auburn University in Montgomery and graduated with her master's degree in Early Childhood Education in Germany, where her husband Bruce, an Army pilot, was stationed.

Mrs. Irwin is well-liked and admired," says EES principal Mickey McCollough. "She is a great vice principal and an extremely hard worker!"

Following the interview, Mrs. Irwin was observed lending words

of encouragement to a nervous young man preparing to begin his first week of school. Such actions of kindness and sensitivity demonstrate what this principal is working for - the children.

1998 ELBALAS ARE HERE

by Brad Holley

The awaited, much anticipated arrival of the 1998 *Elbala* has finally come. Last year's yearbook entitled "Making the Pieces Fit" arrived on Thursday, August 20 and preparations began to distribute the books to the student body at the elementary and high school. As a second year journalism staff member I was very anxious to see how all of our hard work turned out and what the response to our book would be.

"I thought it was good. I thought it was very good," stated Mrs. Tucker, an English teacher here at Elba High School. Mrs. Julie Norris, the journalism class sponsor had this to say about the annual. "I was pleased that the book turned out like it did for our first time. We had some mistakes but I felt that the book overall was great. I'm looking forward to working with this year's staff and making next year's *Elbala* even better."

Elba Elementary School Menu

Sept. 7 - 11, 1998

BREAKFAST	LUNCH
Monday - School Holiday Tuesday - Cinnamon Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk Wednesday - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk Thursday - Pancakes w/Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk Friday - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk	Monday - School Holiday Tuesday - Chicken Fillet, Butterbeans, Rice, Roll, 1/2 Apple, Milk Wednesday - Hot Dog, Tater Tots, California Vegetables, Oatmeal Raisin Cookie, Milk Thursday - Vegetable Beef Soup, Crackers, Cheese Sandwich, 1/2 Orange, Milk Friday - Pizza, Broccoli w/Cheese, Corn, Peach half, Milk

Class Of 2000's Rings Are Here

by Natasha Bannin

Senior class rings have finally arrived for those graduating in the year 2000. The class ring salesman from Balfour, Mr. Rusty Parker, began discussing the rings with these students last school year. Those who chose to purchase this symbol of his or her life as a high school student received their rings on August 19th. Each is unique to its owner, depicting a part of that person's pleasures and experiences.

The following students expressed what their class rings mean to them. Melissa Grantham-It means getting closer to graduation time! Sara Miller-A new era. Time to grow and become a young adult. Sheena Richards-It means that we're the Class of 2000 going to graduate soon. Monique Ordon-It represents the memories of my years in high school.

BE CAREFUL!

Miss Tiger Football Pageant

by Casey Henderson

On August 20, 1998, the Elba High School Varsity Cheerleaders sponsored the annual Miss Tiger Football pageant. It was an evening filled with excitement. The contestants were grouped into five different divisions based on their ages. The finalists of the divisions are as follows: Tiny Miss winner Haley Bryan; 1st runner-up Molly

McGuire; 2nd runner-up Lindsey Carley; Mini Miss winner Kelera Burrows; 1st runner-up Anna Petty; 2nd runner-up Hannah Manning; Little Miss winner Leanna Flowers; 1st runner-up Emily Paul; 2nd runner-up Kayla Kelley; 2nd runner-up Melissa Sanders; Miss Tiger Football Krissy Mangrum; 1st runner-up Shamile Rowe; and 2nd runner-up Nim Patel.



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Superintendent Speaks On New School Year

Superintendent of Elba City Schools, Mr. Charles Pearce, recently took time out of his unrelenting schedule to express his thoughts regarding the new school year. He expressed much enthusiasm in his statements made on the subject.

"This year has been an exceptionally good beginning. As I have visited staff and students at all levels, I hear very positive comments and observe optimism and enthusiasm as we begin another school year. It is my sincere desire that we are all motivated to give our best. If we as administrators encourage and support our staff to be enthusiastic and have a positive attitude, our staff will in turn pass this feeling on to our students."

"We have so much to be thankful for here at Elba City Schools. As we review our record as a successful school program, it becomes obvious to me that three important factors contribute to our success. One factor is our size. Being a small system allows us to know students personally and not just as a number. Secondly, we have very low pupil-teacher ratios. This allows teachers to give more individual attention to each child. Thirdly, we have tremendous community support that is often missing in large metropolitan areas. This community support was reflected recently in the number of parents attending our 7th grade orientation and 5th and 6th grade parents' night. Also, our local officials can be given credit for their commitment to provide support of our efforts."

"I fully expect a very positive year academically, and am excited about our extra-curricular activities. We look forward to additional technology available to students through new and updated computers, networks, and access to the Internet."

This is truly an exciting time to be an educator. Information on an unlimited scale is available at the push of a button. Students now have opportunities not dreamed of only a few years ago. I want to personally thank our staff and our time student body for being the quality people you all are. If we all continue to do our best, Elba City Schools will continue to prosper and have good reviews in the future."

Tiger Tales Editor Speaks...

by Anna Maddox

Tiger Tales is Elba High School's way of keeping the people of Elba aware of what goes on in our schools. It is a tradition that the students here choose to keep alive by writing and editing articles which allow the public to involve themselves with the faculty and students in the Elba City School system.

Tiger Tales features a variety of articles in every edition of *The Elba Clipper*. It gives the outstanding students of Elba High, and even those in Elba Elementary, a chance to be recognized for their hard work and achievements. Articles such as VICA Spotlight, Student of the Month, and other honors students receive are featured weekly.

The students are not the only ones featured in this section of the

Clipper. *Tiger Tales* also gives the faculty and staff an opportunity to introduce themselves to the public. The administrators of our school get a chance to voice their opinions on certain issues. It is very important that these teachers are recognized since they play such an important role in the lives of the students here.

The most significant feature of *Tiger Tales* is its writers. It not only recognizes the outstanding students and faculty here in Elba, but it is written by students who care about their school and understand what goes on first hand. This year's editors of *Tiger Tales* are Daniel Murdock and Anna Maddox. However, it takes a lot of work, effort, and cooperation of many students to make *Tiger Tales* the success we hope it will be.

New Coach At Elba High

by Emily Bryan

With the arrival of a new school year at Elba High comes the arrival of new faces. Among these new faces is Mr. Mike Waters, the Elba Tiger's new football coach of offensive and defensive lines. One of the coach's offensive linemen, Lance Boutwell, says, "Coach Waters has been working hard getting us ready for this fall. Waters is hopeful for a successful football season."

In addition to his hard work on the football field, this Troy/Pike county resident is involved in the academic field of teaching tenth grade health and U.S. history. His wife, Susie Waters, is also a teacher and has been teaching in Enterprise for several years.

Waters is the proud father of three children: Amy, 19, a student at Auburn University; Carson, 15, a



MIKE WATERS

student here at Elba High; and Jennifer, 13, a student at Pike Liberal Arts in Troy.

This husband, father of three, teacher, and coach, is an outstanding man and an asset to Elba High School.

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SPORTS

Views from

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

I was one of the biggest supporters of Elba's plan to move its season opening game to Thursday night, and the change obviously paid huge dividends as football fans from all across the area jammed into Tiger Stadium to watch the kick-off of the high school football season. I still think it was a great idea, and while Melanie loved the excitement of going to the game, she wasn't quite so excited around 5:30 AM the next morning while she was taking a bath and reviewing her spelling words at the same time. I hope the schools meet on Thursday night again next season, but this time let's start the game at 7:00 PM, just in case the game runs as long as it did this season.

ELBA TIGERS FALL FLAT IN SEASON OPENER

The headlines in last week's sports stated Elba was going to be "new and improved" this season, and the banner the players ran through before the game started declared the '98 Tigers were "better than ever." Apparently someone forgot to tell the Tigers about these brave predictions, because Elba suffered through one of its worst season opening defeats ever last week in a 33-6 loss to the 1A Brantley Bulldogs, and left many of the Tiger fans scratching their heads wondering what had happened to the once proud Elba Tiger football program. Everyone knew that the Tigers would dress out only 25 varsity players, and they also knew that after going 2-8 a year ago this year's team would struggle at times. They expected that, but no one in Tiger Stadium expected the Tigers to get totally dominated by Brantley, much less come out on the short end of such a lopsided score that could have been even worse. The loss was painful; however, one thing that hurt as bad as the score was the attitude of some of the players late in the game. As the Elba players knelt while a Brantley player was being treated for an injury, many of them could be seen smiling and talking, in spite of being beaten up to the tune of 33-6. Former President Jimmy Carter once said "Show me a good loser and I will show you a loser." I have always agreed with this statement, especially in competitive sports, and believe that the Elba Tigers need to reexamine their dedication to excellence, and their desire to make the sacrifices needed to become winners. You can only enjoy the thrills of victory if you have overcome the agony of defeat, and if losing doesn't hurt, the losses continue to come. The weeks to come will tell a lot about this bunch of Tigers, and I for one don't believe that the complete story can be written after just one game. Only time will tell.

The Elba offensive game plan was to run the football against Brantley; however, the Brantley defensive front dominated the line of scrimmage and the Tigers were never able to generate anything that even resembled an offense. Of Elba's 32 running plays, 11 plays resulted in losses, and the running attack had only a total of 13 yards until the final 29 of the game, when the Tigers managed to get off three big gains against the Brantley reserves. Let's hope it was a learning experience for the offense, and that the lesson was learned well, and will pay dividends in weeks to come.

The Elba defense played hard and passed some solid kicks, but was clearly out-manned by the big and fast Brantley attack. The Tigers had problems keeping the Bulldog backs off the corners, had problems stopping the Bulldogs when they ran inside the tackles, and were simply no match for the tall and talented Brantley receivers. The defense allowed almost 250 yards in offense in the opening three quarters, and despite a pretty good effort, was never really able to take charge and slow down the Brantley offense.

It was obvious that the Tigers weren't quite ready to play in last week's opener, and it had to be obvious to the players and coaches after watching the film that they made enough mistakes on both sides of the ball to lose several games, much less one. Now is the time to begin making corrections and to improve in all areas. The '98 Tigers won't turn into championship contenders overnight, but the season lasts for three more months, and that is plenty of time to improve and develop into a solid high school football team. C'mon Elba, prove all the critics wrong and prove to everyone that the '98 Tigers won't go down without a fight.

NOT THE BEST OF WEEKS FOR AREA TEAMS

The beginning of the high school football season brings with it the hopes of winning every single game and wearing the state championship ring before the season ends. While the first goal is already gone for all but one of the teams in the area, the second goal is still very much alive. Here is a quick look back at the week that was....

***NEW BROCKTON was billed as one of the top 2A teams in the state and was picked by many to upset Luverne in the season opener, but the Gamecocks ran into a steam roller up in Crenshaw County and got flattened to the tune of 38-6. The New Brockton defense simply had no answer for Luverne's Rodney Lowery, and after just one week the Gamecocks will go back to the drawing board and try to regain the confidence they had just one short week ago. One game does not make or break a season, and look for New Brockton to bounce back with a vengeance.

***KINSTON was picked to get ripped apart by a highly-touted pack of Purple Cats from Arion, but despite the 35-6 loss, the Bulldogs really didn't play all that bad and showed signs of being a solid team as the season rolls along. A couple of errant pitch outs resulted in three Arion touchdowns, so, take away those mistakes and it could have been a much closer game. Don't let the lopsided loss, or the lack of varsity players on the Kinston sidelines fool ya. The varsity players on the field are determined and play hard enough to win.

***ZION CHAPEL made some mistakes early in the game that gave Thorsby the momentum and never recovered as they took it on the chin 28-7. The Rebels had to take a slow approach in practice due to a lack of players, and were far from being at full speed in their opener. As the season progresses, look for the Rebels to get more and more settled into their offensive and defensive schemes, and to surprise some folks. Coach Grant had to teach his young team how to walk before it could run, but they will be running real soon and when they do, the wins will come.

***BRANTLEY was billed as a state title contender prior to the season and did nothing to change anyone's mind in its 33-6 romp over 3A Elba. The Bulldogs showed that they had power up front and speed at the skill positions, and totally dominated the Tigers on their own home field. If Brantley can stay healthy, and improve each and every week during the regular season, it should be a team to watch late in the season when the games really begin to count. This is a team worth watching!

TOURING THE STATE AS FOOTBALL KICKS OFF

The high school football season began last week across the state, and there was excitement at all the fields as fans jammed in to support their favorite teams. Here is a quick look across the state at what happened in week #1....

***CLASS 1A - The Brantley Bulldogs made the most nose in the 1A ranks with their big 33-6 win over 3A Elba, while Billingsley proved it was still as strong as ever with a 12-7 win over 5A Chilton County and Frisco City surprised many with a 26-21 win over Excel. Closer to home, G.W. Long blanked 3A Clayton 25-0 and McKenzie was spanked by Georgiana 33-0.

***CLASS 2A - Clay County opened with a bang as it stopped Maplesville 25-14, while Geneva County made a statement to everyone on its schedule with a stunning 14-13 upset over 4A power Geneva. Closer to home, Straughn sneaked past an improved Louisville 13-6 and Samson was upset by Slocomb 12-8.

***CLASS 3A - Luverne let everyone know that it was a contender for the 3A title with a 38-6 win over New Brockton, while Goshen celebrated the move up by falling big time to Highland Home 48-20. In other action,

Briarwood edged past Oak Grove 20-16 and Flomaton dumped Jay 21-13.

***CLASS 4A - Ashford took a giant step forward with a 14-13 win over Pike County, while Daleville stomped Bullock County 51-14 and Clarke County stunned T.R. Miller 14-12. In other area action, W.S. Neal blanked Hillcrest 14-0, St. Paul's pounded Andalusia 31-14 and Abbeville was clubbed by Eufaula 35-6.

***CLASS 5A - Carroll, of Ozark, made the most of its first game ever as a 5A team by claiming a 15-6 win over Charles Henderson, while Greenville fell to 6A power Dothan 24-6 and Opp fell late to Wetumpka 24-21. In other games of interest, Russell County stunned Central of Phenix City 26-21, and Blount ripped Williamson 36-6.

***CLASS 6A - Enterprise was very impressive in a 35-0 win over what was supposed to be a pretty good Foley team, while Baldwin County shocked Northview 16-13 and Jeff Davis slipped past Lanier 12-12. In other action of note, Robert E. Lee ripped Carver 24-8, Opelika stunned Vigor 17-0 and Oxford edged Anniston 20-19.

CLEANING OFF THE DESK....

***I watched the Atlanta-St. Louis baseball game Saturday to see if Mark McGwire could hit any home-runs, and while I was disappointed that he got ejected, I defend the umpire for standing up for his beliefs and doing what was right. Hey, the pitch may have been low and inside, but the ump called it a strike, and you can't argue balls and strikes at any level. The fans that thrush stuff on the field should have been thrown out of the park, and the Cardinals should have apologized to everyone.

***I was happy to see last week that the State Board of Education had moved to accept a new "no pass, no play" policy that adds non-athletes to the list of students that must qualify academically to participate in extra-curricular activities. It was unfair to single out athletes when putting academic rules in place, and to let band members march and students be in clubs when their grades weren't any better than the athletes that couldn't play in their sports. I know many people will be upset about the new ruling, but fair is fair, and let's put all the students on an even keel.

***The Dothan Eagle had its preseason football edition last week, and on the cover was Elba grad and current Geneva coach Leavy Boutwell. Coach Boutwell has helped Geneva turn its football program around in a few short years, and is finally getting some of the credit he so richly deserves as one of the state's top high school coaches. Good luck!

***Also in the Eagle's football edition was a computerized list ranking the toughest schedules in the state. Enterprise had the sixth toughest schedule in 6A, while Luverne's schedule was ranked 12th toughest in 3A, and Elba's schedule was ranked at #20. In 2A, New Brockton's schedule was ranked at #35, while Kinston came in at #46, and down in the 1A ranks Brantley's schedule was the 3rd toughest, with Zion Chapel ranked at #30.

***The Elba Lady Tiger volleyball team will begin its season this week with a match against New Brockton, and the girls and Coach Susan Barnes have high hopes of winning another area title and taking a big step forward at sectionals. The Lady Tigers are still very young, but they have experience, and should be headed for a banner season. Let's watch and support the Lady Tigers!

PROGNOSTICATOR PICKS THE PREPS

Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator was still smiling Sunday afternoon despite hitting only 20 of 30 picks in his first week of picks. He admitted that the Elba pick was against his own beliefs, but said the Tigers deserved his vote until proven otherwise. Looking at this week's pick, he must have changed his vote....

ELBA VS. LUVERNE

This game used to be billed as the "Battle of the Tigers," and was once considered one of the state's top high school rivalries. It is still a heated rivalry and a hard hitting game, however, Luverne has taken its program up a notch in recent years, while Elba has gone the other direction. This one could get ugly!

LUVERNE 34 ELBA 8

Elba's Roy Childs takes sixth feature win of season at South Alabama Speedway

The South Alabama Speedway continued its exciting season of racing on Saturday night, August 22, with Heath Mills taking the checkered flag in the Sportsman feature.

Jim Walker charged into the lead at the start and led the first 26 laps of the event, but when his Grand Prix pushed up in turn one, Mills jumped at the opportunity and made the pass to move in front. Joey Watkins also got by Walker and challenged Mills for the remaining four laps, but failed to nudge ahead and had to settle for second. Walker held on for third place, while Donald Besdole placed fourth in his first appearance at S.A.S., and James Mason finished fifth.

Scotty Anderson scored his first victory of the racing season as he took the checkered flag in the Super Stock feature. Anderson took the lead in lap four and held off Eugene Bell for the win. Anderson got a big break on lap 28 as Bell pulled inside the leader on the backstretch, only to see a caution flag come out, and Anderson stayed in front and held on to take the win. Jeff Smith finished third, followed in order by Rick Northey and Kenny Williams.

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KINSTON VS. WICKSBURG

The Bulldogs lost by a big score last week, but battled until the final horn and showed signs of better days on the way. Wicksburg posted a big win and has to be considered a heavy favorite. However, the game is down at Kinston and the Bulldogs will give the Panthers a real challenge.

WICKSBURG 20 KINSTON 12

NEW BROCKTON VS. G.W. LONG

The Gamecocks saw their balloon burst last week in a big loss to Luverne, while G.W. Long didn't have any problems taking care of lowly Clayton. New Brockton will be a little embarrassed after last week's whipping and will take the field with something to prove against the Rebels. What a difference a week makes!

NEW BROCKTON 27 G.W. LONG 16

ZION CHAPEL VS. ISABELLA

The Rebels came out on the short end of a 28-7 score last week on the road in their season opener, but the Rebels shot themselves in the foot early with turnovers and never recovered. With a game under their belts and the experience gained by playing, this week the Rebels should be ready to get that first win of the season.

ZION CHAPEL 20 ISABELLA 18

BRANTLEY VS. GEORGIANA

The Bulldogs were very impressive last week in demolishing Elba, while Georgiana was also impressive in taking care of McKenzie 33-0. This game has been a real war in years past, and should be one Friday night when two very good football teams tangle. I'm going with the 'Dogs in a four quarter battle.

BRANTLEY 27 GEORGIANA 12

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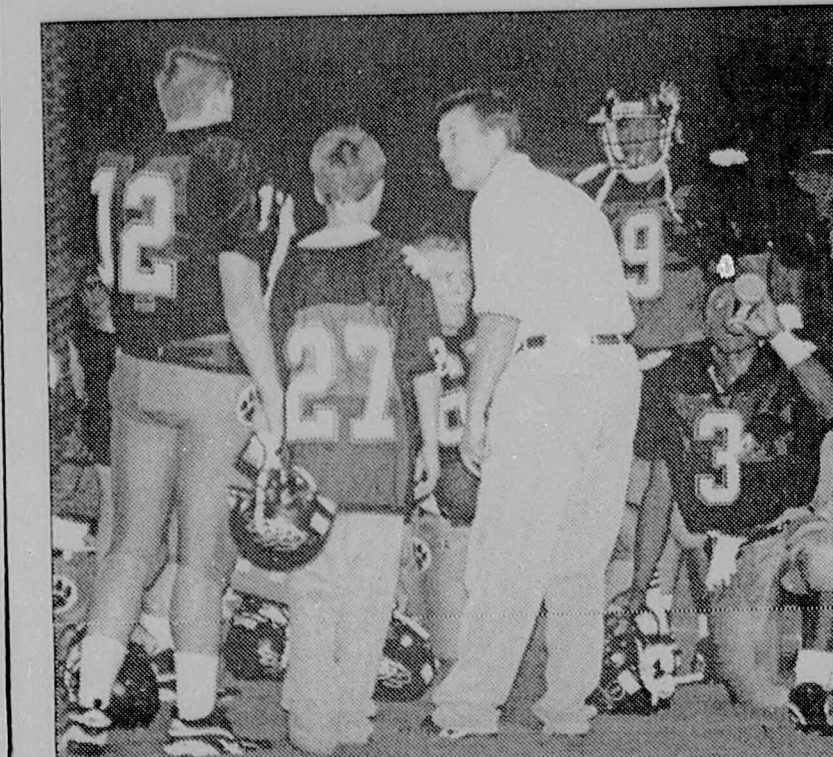
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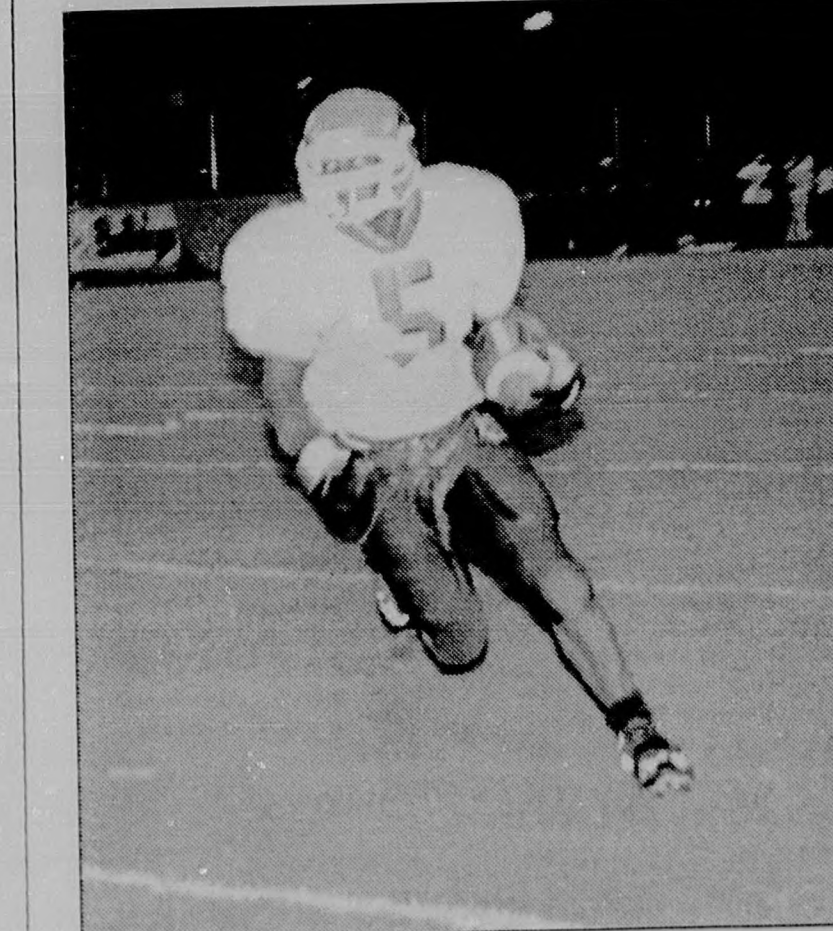
Elba Tiger cheerleaders are ready to get the season started as they unveil the first banner of the season prior to Thursday night's game against Brantley. Cheerleaders holding the banner are (l-r) Laura Crowe-Captain and Julie Roberson-CoCaptain.

In renewal of gridiron rivalry

Elba Tigers tamed by Brantley Bulldogs 33-6



Elba's Coach David Sikes talks with Tigers during a break in the action in last week's season opening loss to the Brantley Bulldogs 33-6.



Brantley's Darrell Owens (5) looks for room to run in the Bulldogs' big season opening win over the Elba Tigers 33-6. The Bulldogs will host Georgiana Friday night.



YOURS HAD MORE THAN MINE! These two Tiger fans enjoyed more than just the game Thursday night.

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Elba Tigers and Brantley Bulldogs opened the 1998 high school football season Thursday night in front of near capacity crowd at Tiger Stadium, with the 1A Bulldogs proving to everyone in attendance that they were indeed contenders for the '98 state title as they blasted the 3A Tigers 33-6.

Neither team managed any offensive fireworks on their first possession of the night, but the Bulldogs gave the crowd a preview of things to come on their second offensive series as they marched 50 yards in seven plays to get on the scoreboard.

Bo Daniels gained 20 yards on one carry and Alan Compton added 9 yards on three carries to get the drive started, while the touchdown came when Andy Johnson lofted a 23-yard scoring strike to Demario Wiley. Daniels ran in for the two-point conversion, and with 3:59 left in the first quarter Brantley was on top 8-0.

The Tigers failed to move the chains on their second series, but got an early break only minutes later as Elba's Jawaune Hughes stripped the football away from a Brantley runner and raced 37 yards for a Tiger touchdown! A two-point conversion attempt failed; however, with :29 left in the opening stanza the Tigers had pulled within 8-6.

The Tiger defense turned back a Brantley scoring threat on the Bulldogs' next possession when defensive back Josh Hodge intercepted a pass at the Elba 9-yardline, but the Tigers again failed to make a first down, and Brantley regained possession at its own 42-yardline following a punt.

This time it took the Bulldogs only three plays to cover the 88 yards to paydirt, as Darrell Owens gained 13 yards to get the drive started, and Bo Daniels did the rest and scored the touchdown on a 37-yard fumble recovery and return. The Brantley defense was paced by Bobby Phillips with 7 stops and Darrell Owens with 5 tackles.

Elba's Kevin Dodd recovered a Brantley fumble at the Tiger 37-yardline midway through the second quarter to give the Elba offense good field position; however, the offense continued to sputter, and for the fifth straight time in the game failed to move the chains.

The Tigers finally made a first down in the closing seconds of the half on a Bulldog penalty, but it made little difference, as at the half

Brantley owned a 16-6 advantage.

Elba received the second half kickoff, but kept the ball for only three plays before a high snap on a punt attempt turned the ball over to Brantley at the Tiger 2-yardline. One play later Andy Johnson sneaked over from a yard out, and after Gregory Daniels booted the extra-point, the Bulldogs had extended their lead to 23-6 with 9:06 still left in the third quarter.

Brantley added to its lead with 4:31 remaining in the stanza on a 32-yard field-goal by Gregory Daniels that put the Bulldogs on top 26-6, and needed only one play to score on its next possession as Bo Daniels broke loose and raced 48 yards down the sidelines for a Brantley touchdown. Gregory Daniels again booted the extra-point, as Brantley blew the game wide-open by taking a 33-6 lead with 2:24 remaining in the third quarter.

Brantley appeared to increase its lead on its next possession on a 53-yard scamper by Tyrrell Knighten, but a holding penalty nullified the long scoring run, and the Tiger defense forced a Bulldog punt.

Neither team threatened again until the closing seconds of the game, when the Tigers moved to the Brantley 11-yardline behind the running of Jawaune Hughes and Kevin Dodd, only to hear the horn sound with the Bulldogs on top 33-6.

The Elba offense was led by Jawaune Hughes with 48 yards on 10 carries, while Kevin Dodd added 21 yards on 3 carries. Brantley was sparked by Bo Daniels with 134 yards on 8 carries and Darrell Owens with 41 yards on 8 totes, while Demario Wiley pulled in 2 pass receptions for 50 yards.

The Tiger defense was led by O'Shay Hammonds and Keni Mitchell with 4 tackles apiece, while Jawaune Hughes had 3 stops and scored the Elba touchdown on a 37-yard fumble recovery and return. The Brantley defense was paced by Bobby Phillips with 7 stops and Darrell Owens with 5 tackles.

STATISTICS

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32-45	Rushes-Yds. 36-201
11	Passing Yds. 50
56	Total Offense 251
2-10-1	Passes 3-8-1
6/1	Fumbles/Lost 4/2
8-31	Punts-Ave. 5-29
11-66	Penalties-Yds. 9-70



Elba's Jawaune Hughes (33) stops Brantley quarterback Andy Johnson (4) for a short gain in last week's season opener for both teams.



A host of Elba Tigers close in to make the stop on Brantley's Alan Compton (20) during action in last week's season opener. Helping make the stop are Tony Burks (3), Jawaune Hughes (33), Lance Boutwell (34), O'Shay hammonds (54) and an unidentified teammate.



Marching Tiger Head Majorette Leslie Stinson performed at halftime with the outstanding Elba High School Marching Tiger band.

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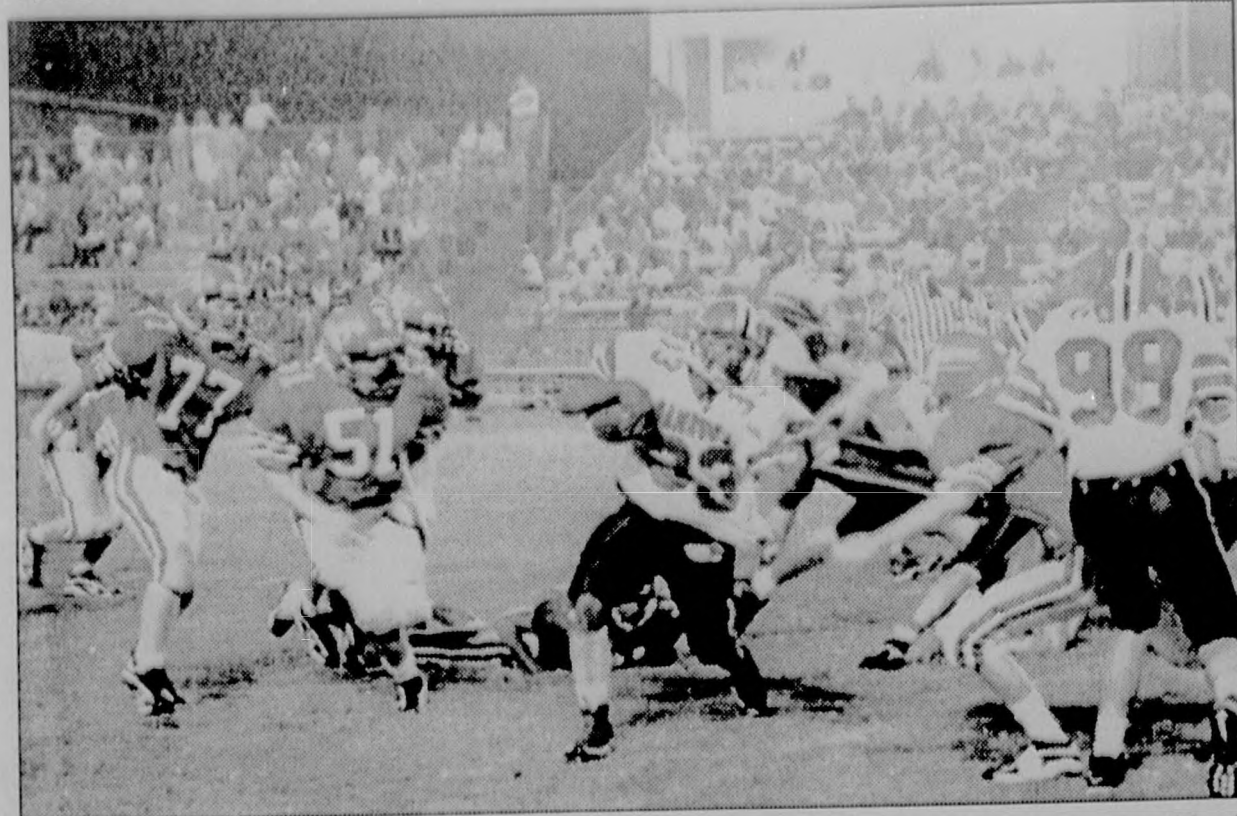
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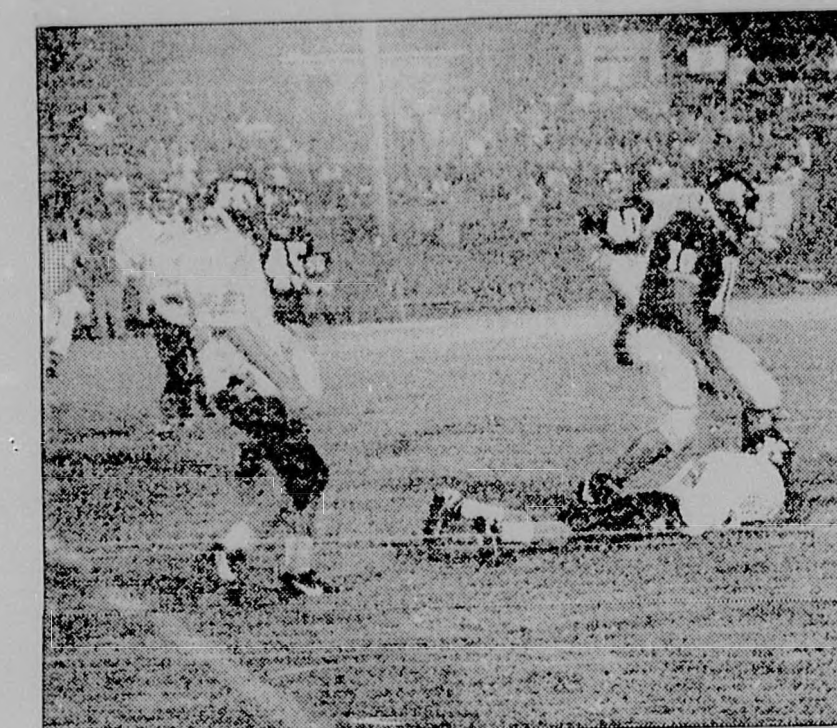
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New Brockton running back Lee Flowers (33) heads outside a would-be Luverne tackler in the Gamecocks' 38-6 season opening loss. Flowers gained 86 yards on 16 carries and scored a touchdown on a 98 yard kickoff return to lead the New Brockton offense. The Gamecocks will host G.W. Long Friday night in a 7:30 kickoff.

Fall to Arlton 35-6

Kinston Bulldogs caged in opener



Kinston's Bishop Edwards (5) dives for extra yardage in the Bulldogs' season opener against the Arlton Purple Cats. The Bulldogs will be at home Friday night when they host the Wicksburg Panthers. Kickoff is 7:30 PM.

Zion Chapel drops season opener to Thorsby 28-7

From staff reports

The Zion Chapel Rebels made the long ride to Thorsby Friday night for their season opener, and found the ride back home even longer after suffering a 28-7 defeat at the hands of the Thorsby Rebels.

Thorsby cashed in on a pair of ZC turnovers to grab a quick 14-0 lead, and put the Rebels in a hole from which they would never recover. The scores came on a 35-yard pass from Brent Wyatt to Gabe Patterson and a 23-yard dash by Matt Turner, as Thorsby took a 14-0 lead in the first quarter.

Thorsby extended its lead to 21-0 before the end of the half on a 36-yard scoring strike from Wyatt to Allen Heptinstall, and added another score early in the third quarter on a 1-yard plunge by Wyatt to increase its lead to 28-0.

Zion Chapel avoided the shut-out with a long scoring drive that ate up over eight minutes of the clock, and was capped off with a 1-yard TD drive by Marcus Taylor. Josh Mehahey tackled on the extra-point, and at the final horn Thorsby had the win 28-7.

Zion Chapel, will host Isabella Friday night in its home opener.

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New Brockton Gamecocks drop season opener to talented Luverne Tigers 38-6

By Josh Lewis, Sportswriter

The New Brockton Gamecocks knew going in to their season opener against the Luverne Tigers that they would have their hands full, especially since the Tigers were the defending 2A state champs. Unfortunately, the Gamecocks didn't know just how good the defending champs really were, as the Tigers scored early and often to tame the Gamecocks 38-6, Friday night in Luverne.

Luverne, behind the running of speedy Rodney Lowery, scored twice in the opening stanza to grab a quick 13-0 lead, and it looked like the Tigers would run away and hide from the stunned Gamecocks. New Brockton had other ideas, however, and after the second Luverne touchdown displayed some speed of its own as Lee Flowers took the kickoff at the two-yardline and raced 98 yards for the Gamecocks' first TD of the season!

The sudden score failed to impress the talented Tigers, as Luverne tackled on three additional touchdowns in the second quarter and went in at the half with a lopsided 32-6 lead.

Luverne closed out the night's scoring in the third quarter, and both defenses took over from there as the Gamecocks fell in their season opener by the score of 38-6.

Lee Flowers gained 86 yards on 16 carries and scored a touchdown on a 98 yard kickoff return to lead the Gamecock offense, while Jason McKenzie added 71 yards on 9 carries. Kenzie Cole hit on 5 of 8 passes for 23 yards, with two interceptions.

The New Brockton defense was led by Jason McKenzie and Pate Harrison with 5 tackles apiece, while Andre Flowers added 4 stops.



New Brockton Gamecock cheerleaders kept the faith throughout the season opening 38-6 loss to Luverne. The Gamecocks will host G.W. Long Friday night in the home opener for New Brockton, at Gamecock Stadium.

Elba Tigers travel to Luverne still looking for first win of young season

The Elba Tigers will jump out of the frying pan and into the fire Friday night when they try to bounce back from last week's big loss to Brantley against the defending state champion Luverne Tigers, in Luverne.

Elba slipped to 0-1 on the season with its 33-0 setback to Brantley, while Luverne went to 1-0 with a big 38-6 win over New Brockton.

"Luverne has got a very good football team that is blessed with size, speed and some outstanding athletes," said Elba's Coach David Sikes. "They don't have the numbers they had last season, but they have the confidence that winning a state championship gives you, and are convinced that they will win every time they take the field."

"On offense," said Sikes, "they run the wing-t and try to keep the ball in the hands of Rodney Lowery. Lowery has speed and all the moves a great running back possesses, and they use him to put the football in the endzone. Luverne will run sweeps, options, traps and the quick pitch, and has the speed to go the distance at any time. They also have the ability to put the ball in the air, and overall, they just are a very explosive offense and a true high school star. On defense they still fire out low in the defensive line and let the linebackers make the tackles. They have a very aggressive defense and get to the football."

"If we are going to have any chance at all of winning Friday night," added Sikes, "we will have to play well on every play for all four quarters. On offense the line will have to block better and really come off the football, and the backs will also have to block much better than they did a week ago. We will have to be balanced and not make any mistakes, mental or physical. On defense we have to contain Rodney Lowery, tackle well and play well fundamentally. We have to know what to do, and at the same time believe that if we do that we will have a chance of winning the game."

"Luverne is a very good football team and we are in for a real battle," stated Sikes. "If we play as well as we can we will have a shot, if not, we could be in real trouble."

When asked about last week's loss to Brantley, Coach Sikes stated "We were all very disappointed, but we lost to very good football team that played very well on both sides of the football. On offense, Brantley whipped us up front and dominated the line of scrimmage. We rushed for over 200 yards in the spring using the same offense we used last week, the difference was we didn't execute like we should have and we were playing a team that simply whipped us all over the field. Jawaune Hughes had a good night on offense, but still must get better every time he hits the field, and we blocked a little at times. This week we will simplify things even more and try to make certain that what we try to do, we know how to do! We have to keep headed in the right direction, improve and get some confidence that we can be a good football team. On defense we did okay at times, but the defense had to stay on the field too long and it showed. This week we'll work on fundamentals and tackling, and work to have better assignments."

"We won't make any major changes for Luverne," added Sikes. "We know what the players can and can't do, and we've just got to work hard to make certain they do what we expect them to do, and do it right."

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Chamber of Commerce Spotlight

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Spotlighted for this month is H & R Block, owned by Tim and Lisa Johnson of Elba. They are the second generation of the Johnson family to own the business, the first being Tim's parents Milford and Annette Johnson. Tim and Lisa received degrees from Auburn University, he in Accounting and she in Marketing, preparing them for continued ownership of the business.

Elba is the home office of the Johnsons' three franchises. The other two offices being located in Opp and Andalusia. They are currently relocating and expanding the H & R Block office in Elba, which will be located at 1865 Hickman Ave.

Tim and Lisa have been involved with the Elba Chamber of Commerce for some years. Lisa as past co-chairperson and chairperson of the Elba Christmas Festival as well as a past secretary of the Chamber board, and Tim being involved as both an individual member and a business member.

Tim and Lisa were reared in Elba and are actively involved in civic activities. Tim is a member and past president of the Elba Rotary Club, and currently serves as chairman of the Waterworks and Electric Board for the city.

Lisa is a member of the New Seasons Study Club and has served as president of the Elba Elementary PTO.

The Johnsons have two sons: Chafin, age 9, and Cameron, 5, both students at Elba Elementary School, and the family is active in the First Baptist Church of Elba.

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Young lad needs help of doctor in Minnesota

One-year-old Donald Wayne Mills II has a condition he shares with only 243 diagnosed children throughout the world: lissencephaly - a rare brain abnormality where one side of the brain is smooth, and should be rigid. This part also controls body movements.

Born with the problem, Donald Wayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wayne Mills of Jack, was only diagnosed at eight months of age.

"We knew something was wrong early on," said his mother, "but we didn't know what, until a neurologist in Dothan gave it a name. And no doctors in this area have given us any hope at all."

Desperate for knowledge about her son's condition, Mrs. Mills began research at libraries, the Internet and any available source, and found two doctors who were familiar with lissencephaly - one

being a pediatric neurologist at the University of Minnesota, Dr. William B. Dobbins.



Donald Wayne Mills II

Dr. Dobbins promptly returned her phone call, assuring her he would do all he could for her son if they could get him there.

The trust fund at SouthTrust Bank is for airfare to Minnesota. Before heading for the hospital there, the Mills' will gather all available

records, papers, test results, etc. and carry to Birmingham where a colleague of Dr. Dobbins will make sure everything is in order and ready for Dr. Dobbins scrutiny. "Any contributions will be sincerely appreciated," said Mrs. Mills.

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Paint Ball Zone grand opening is September 5th

"Paint Ball Zone of Alabama," a colorful way to have fun, recently opened near Brantley, Monday - Friday.

Located on Hwy. 331, five miles south of Brantley, the large playground includes acres of playing field, with P.O.W. camp, satellite bunker and two forts.

Playing packages, of various sizes, include gun, mask, and paintballs.

Suggested clothing includes boots, cleated tennis shoes, rugged pants, long-sleeved shirt, camouflage or dark colors.

Private games are also available. See advertisement in this week's Clipper.



LAMAR DONALDSON of New Brockton was one of the first farmers to plant and first to dig peanuts beginning Monday, Aug. 24. The variety being dug is Virgurd. Donaldson has prospects of a good harvest, however, there are many perils that can affect our crops before they are all in. Cotton, corn and peanut harvest will be the main farm activity for the next three to four months.

(Richard Petcher, County Extension Agent)

New Brockton Indian tribe has long list of member related activities

The MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe is identifying all active tribal members for per capita, and all members are asked to be present at a meeting on Saturday, Sept. 19, 5 p.m., at the Coffee County Farm Center, Hwy. 84 E., New Brockton.

Anyone who is not present and who does not notify the tribe in writing that they cannot be present will not be counted as a member.

There will be a PowWow Friday, Oct. 30, and Sat., Oct. 31, at the American Legion Park, Hwy. 84 North, Elba, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Price is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 12.

There will be a variety of activities for the entire family including Indian dancing, TeePee, Indian Chief, genealogy booth.

Proceeds will be used for scholarship funds and community projects, school supplies for children.

The MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama, along with the Civitan International Research at The University of Alabama, is conducting interviews on children between the ages of five and 14. Interviews are for children who have developmental disorders such as ADD, ADHD, Cystic Fibrosis, Muscular Sclerosis, Muscular

Dystrophy, learning disorders.

This program is for the MaChis tribal members and any other state or Federal tribal member.

For more information on any of these, write or call: MaChis Lower Creek Indian Tribe of Alabama, Rt. 1, 708 S. John St., New Brockton, AL 36551, 334/894-6578, or E-mail malchislowercreek@hotmail.com - (UAB-Civitan International - Marie Diz, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Civitan International Research Center, Birmingham, Alabama 35294-0021, 205/934-9768)

Extension office recommendations on dealing with teenage children

ANGELA HUGHES
County Extension Agent

It is a common belief in our society that when children become adolescents, parents and teens have a hard time getting along. The good news is, however, that most teens continue to have warm, close relationships with the parents.

Adolescence is a time when young people are trying to become more independent. They are likely to reject parents' advice at times, because they want to make more of the decisions about their own activities and appearance. Parents sometimes mistake these attempts at independence as rebelliousness.

Although there may be more conflict between parents and children at this time, parents need to remember that their teens still need and rely on their behavior. They need opportunity to practice making decisions in low-risk situations, such as bedtimes, or spending allowance money. And they need to be shown that parents care about them.

Here are some suggestions for parents to help bring them closer to their teens.

Spend time together.

Don't confuse your teen's increasing interest in friends with a lack of interest in you. Most teens want to spend time with their parents. Take time to turn off the television and talk, or go on an outing together. Spending time together will give your teen a chance to let you know who she or he is.

Talk about your teen's interests and concerns.

Make a point of putting other issues aside for a few minutes, and really listen when your teen is talking with you.

Share your feelings and concerns.

Let your teen know that you have hopes and dreams, frustrations and disappointments - just as he or she does. This lets your teen see that even adults struggle with different issues in their lives.

Be supportive.

Don't look down on your teen's problems as trivial or unimportant. Remember that even though your teen's problems may seem smaller than yours, to a young person experiencing them for the first time, they may seem enormous.

Treat your teen with respect.

Treat your teen with the respect you treat other adults with. Avoid telling other people embarrassing stories about things your teen may have done. Think how you would feel if your spouse told others about your embarrassing comments. Respect your teen and his or her feelings as you do other adults.

Expect the best from your teen.

Believe in your child's good intentions. Avoid the stereotypical belief that teens always behave badly. Have high and reasonable

expectations for your teen's behavior that she or he can live up to.

There are a few things you can do that cost you so little in time and money as digging your peanuts on the best date. So do yourself a favor and take the time you need to make a good digging decision.

The hydroblaster is set up at the Farm Center for your use. If you would like help, the best time to bring the sample to the Extension office is the first thing in the morning as 1 answer field calls in the afternoon during peanut harvest. Here again, take time to get a good sample. Go to three to five places in your field and pull up a bunch of three to five plants. Then pick the

harvestable peanuts off, getting from 180 to 220 peanuts for a sample. Keep these peanuts moist and cool until blasting.

COTTON DEFOLIATION MEETING

Cotton Defoliation Meeting is being held today (Thursday, Sept. 3), at 7:30 a.m., at Dottie's Country Restaurant in Enterprise. We will travel to several fields in the county and then have a Dutch Treat lunch at Judy's Log Cabin Restaurant in New Brockton at 12 noon.

Dr. Mike Patterson from Auburn will be our speaker. We will discuss how to value your fields and estimate your yield, then we will select defoliants to fit your crop and best fit your budget. This will be a rather informal meeting.

RICHARD L. PETCHER County Agent

The peanut harvest is about to take off in Coffee County. This will certainly be an interesting year in trying to determine the optimum digging time because we had such a dry May, June and July. However, now parts of July and August have been extremely hot and humid and that has sped up the maturity of both the cotton and peanuts.

A farmer has thousands of dollars riding on the decision of when to dig peanuts. Don't dig peanuts just because you see a shaker going down the road or hear of others digging peanuts. The best time to harvest is when the crop has the highest percentage of sound, mature kernels and the highest yield. This is where the hull scrape method is very helpful. Before this method was developed in 1982, growers used the shell-out method which was fairly accurate in determining whether peanuts were ready to harvest. However, it was not accurate in predicting within a one- to three-day range of the best digging date.

First of all, I would like to give you a chart of the different peanut varieties and their days to optimum maturity. As you know, the growing degree units and moisture have a large effect upon maturity days. So

this chart is to be used as a guide-line. The relatively new variety Virgurd has been the most unpredictable of these varieties in determining optimum maturity date. It has some Virginia peanut in its parent line. In 1997 most Virgurd peanuts' optimum maturity date was between 125 and 130 days - about 5 days earlier than Florunner.

Variety - Days to Optimum Maturity

(After Planting)

Florunner - 135 - 140; GK-7 - 135-140; Georgia Runner - 135-140; Georgia Green - 135-140 (possibly longer); Southern Runner - 150-170; Andru 93 - 120-130; Virgurd - 125-130

There are a few things you can do that cost you so little in time and money as digging your peanuts on the best date. So do yourself a favor and take the time you need to make a good digging decision.

The hydroblaster is set up at the Farm Center for your use. If you would like help, the best time to bring the sample to the Extension office is the first thing in the morning as 1 answer field calls in the afternoon during peanut harvest. Here again, take time to get a good sample. Go to three to five places in your field and pull up a bunch of three to five plants. Then pick the

harvestable peanuts off, getting from 180 to 220 peanuts for a sample. Keep these peanuts moist and cool until blasting.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN FREEMAN FLOWERS, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-98-62

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY EXECUTOR

Letters Testamentary under the Will of said deceased have been granted to John Kevin Flowers on the 28th day of August, 1998, by the Hon. Bill Gammon, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, which said mortgage is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EARL ATMORE, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-98-57

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

To: Tammy Michelle Johnson

You are hereby given that the Plaintiff has filed a complaint for divorce against you in this court and you are required to appear and plead to or answer the same by the 5th day of October, 1998, or thereafter a default may be rendered against you. This the 10th day of August, 1998.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EARL ATMORE, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-98-57

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

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LEGAL

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ENTERPRISE DIVISION

STATE OF ALABAMA, EX REL., LARRY JARRELL, ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PLAINTIFF, VS. NATHANIEL DEON BROWN AND SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-TWO AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$742.00) CURRENCY AND/OR COINAGE, DEFENDANT.

CASE NUMBER: CV97-278

LEGAL NOTICE

In this case it is made to appear to the Circuit Court by the affidavit of Larry G. Jarrell, Assistant District Attorney for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Coffee County Alabama, and represents the State of Alabama in this action, that a petition for the condemnation of property was filed in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, on or about August 22, 1997, the summons and complaint which instigated this action was filed.

The property was seized as fruits of crime, pursuant to Section 13A-11-84 and Section 20-2-93 of the Code of Alabama as amended. The property is in possession of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Drug Task Force. The address of the defendant is unknown.

It is therefore, ORDERED by the Court that the owner of the above listed property is directed to appear and plead to or answer the petition in the above styled case by the 15th day of October, 1998, or a judgment by default may be rendered by the Court and the money may be disposed of as ORDERED BY THE COURT.

DONE this the 5th day of August, 1998.

/s/ JIM ELLIS
Circuit Clerk 8-13-20-27-9-3chg

NOTICE

1. TRACY EDWARDS, who is not responsible for any debts other than those made by me personally.

/s/ TRACY EDWARDS
8-13-20-27-9-3

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ENTERPRISE DIVISION

STATE OF ALABAMA, EX REL., LARRY JARRELL, ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PLAINTIFF, VS. JABARI DEMOND HOLLAND AND TWO HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$266.00) CURRENCY AND/OR COINAGE, DEFENDANT.

CASE NUMBER: CV97-136

LEGAL NOTICE

In this case it is made to appear to the Circuit Court by the affidavit of Larry G. Jarrell, Assistant District Attorney for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Coffee County Alabama, and represents the State of Alabama in this action, that a petition for the condemnation of property was filed in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, on or about August 22, 1997, the summons and complaint which instigated this action was filed.

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DONE this the 5th day of August, 1998.

/s/ JIM ELLIS
Circuit Clerk 8-13-20-27-9-3chg

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EARL ATMORE, DECEASED

CASE NO. DR-98-54

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EARL ATMORE, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-98-57

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EARL ATMORE, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-98-57

PLAINTIFF, VS. TWANA JONES AND ELEVEN HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1100.00) CURRENCY AND/OR COINAGE, DEFENDANT.

CASE NUMBER: CV97-233

LEGAL NOTICE

In this case it is made to appear to the Circuit Court by the affidavit of Larry G. Jarrell, Assistant District Attorney for the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Coffee County Alabama, and represents the State of Alabama in this action, that a petition for the condemnation of property was filed in the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, on or about August 22, 1997, the summons and complaint which instigated this action was filed.

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It is therefore, ORDERED by the Court that the owner of the above listed property is directed to appear and plead to or answer the petition in the above styled case by the 15th day of October, 1998, or a judgment by default may be rendered by the Court and the money may be disposed of as ORDERED BY THE COURT.

DONE this the 5th day of August, 1998.

/s/ JIM ELLIS
Circuit Clerk 8-13-20-27-9-3chg

COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BUNA LEE W. WRIGHT, DECEASED.

CASE NO. PC-98-58

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 12th day of August, 1998, by the Honorable William O. Gammon, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Paula W. Wright
Personal Representative 8-20-27-9-3chg

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA, ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EARL ATMORE, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-98-57

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CASE NO. PC-98-57

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROBATE OF LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF EARL ATMORE

TO: Al Atmore, Vandel Atmore, and all others having any interest or claim in the estate of Earl Atmore, deceased.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 9th, 1998 Vera Atmore filed in this Court her sworn Petition For Probate Of Will seeking to have admitted to probate the Last Will And Testament of Earl Atmore who deceased December 10, 1995 a resident citizen of this County. The Court has scheduled this matter for hearing in the Coffee County Courthouse at Elba, Alabama on September 10, 1998 at 10:00 A.M. The heirs and beneficiaries of this estate named above, and all others having an interest or claim in said estate are invited to attend.

DATED this 12th day of August, 1998.

/s/ William O. Gammon
Probate Judge
8-20-27-9-310chg

STATE OF ALABAMA, COFFEE COUNTY

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

WHEREAS, on July 26, 1994, James Jernigan and wife Betty S. Jernigan, did execute and deliver to SouthTrust Bank of Covington County, N.A., a national banking association, a mortgage on certain real estate hereinafter described, which mortgage appears of record in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, at Volume 120-19, at Page 545 and 546; and

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of said Mortgage as provided herein, and the undersigned, as Special Assessor, it may, which might adversely affect title to subject property.

NOW, THEREFORE, three weeks notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell at public outcry for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the courthouse doors, main entrance, in Elba, Coffee County, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on September 23, 1998, the real estate being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point on the East ROW margin of said road, where the NW corner of the David Baker lot intersects the said East margin of said road, said Baker deed being recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate in Elba, Alabama, in Deed Book 80-A, Page 697, thence running North along the East ROW margin of said dirt road for 170 feet; thence Easterly for 260 feet; thence Southerly for 170 feet; thence Westerly for 260 feet along the North boundary line of the Baker lot to the Point of Beginning.

This conveyance is subject to all easements, restrictions, rights-of-way, mineral and mining rights and other matters of record recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Elba, Coffee County, Alabama.

Subject to easements, restrictions, and reservations appearing of record.

Said sale and conveyance will also be made subject to the legal rights of existing Federal Tax Liens, and/or Special Assessments, if any, which might adversely affect title to subject property.

Such sale will be made as provided in said mortgage for the purpose of paying the debt secured by said mortgage with interest thereon, any amounts required to be paid for taxes, insurance or other charges provided in said mortgage, and the expenses of foreclosure, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

Said property will be sold on an "as is, where is" basis subject to any easements, encumbrances, and exceptions contained in said mortgage and those contained in the records of the Office of the Judge of Probate where the above-described property is situated. Said property will be sold without warranty or recourse, expressed or implied as to title, use and/or enjoyment, and will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled hereto.

Said property will be sold on an "as is, where is" basis subject to any easements, encumbrances, and exceptions contained in said mortgage and those contained in the records of the Office of the Judge of Probate where the above-described property is situated. Said property will be sold without warranty or recourse, expressed or implied as to title, use and/or enjoyment, and will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled hereto.

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SE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 5 North, Range 19 East, in Coffee County, Alabama, and containing one acre, more or less, and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point on the East ROW margin of said road, where the NW corner of the David Baker lot intersects the said East margin of said road, said Baker deed being recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate in Elba, Alabama, in Deed Book 80-A, Page 697, thence running North along the East ROW margin of said dirt road for 170 feet; thence Easterly for 260 feet; thence Southerly for 170 feet; thence Westerly for 260 feet along the North boundary line of the Baker lot to the Point of Beginning.

LESS AND EXCEPT: A lot or parcel of land lying in the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 4, Township 5 North, Range 19 East, in Coffee County, Alabama, and containing one acre, more or less, and being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point on the East ROW margin of said road, where the NW corner of the David Baker lot intersects the said East margin of said road, said Baker deed being recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate in Elba, Alabama, in Deed Book 80-A, Page 697, thence running North along the East ROW margin of said dirt road for 170 feet; thence Easterly for 260 feet; thence Southerly for 170 feet; thence Westerly for 260 feet along the North boundary line of the Baker lot to the Point of Beginning.

Subject to easements, restrictions, and reservations appearing of record.

Said sale and conveyance will also be made subject to the legal rights of existing Federal Tax Liens, and/or Special Assessments, if any, which might adversely affect title to subject property.

Such sale will be made as provided in said mortgage for the purpose of paying the debt secured by said mortgage with interest thereon, any amounts required to be paid for taxes, insurance or other charges provided in said mortgage, and the expenses of foreclosure, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

Said property will be sold on an "as is, where is" basis subject to any easements, encumbrances, and exceptions

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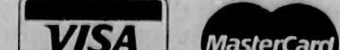
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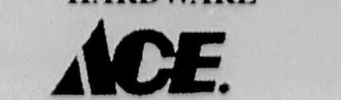
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GERTRUDE ENNIS celebrated her 90th birthday on Aug. 10. She is a resident of the Elba Nursing Home, and celebrated her special day with friends and family. Pictured with Gertrude are her daughter Dorothy Adkins; granddaughter Jane Mosley; and her great-granddaughter Jordan Mosley, completing four generations of the Ennis family women.

Brannon K. Boswell graduates from University of Alabama

Brannon Keith Boswell graduated from the University of Alabama during commencement exercises on Aug. 15. He earned a BA in Communication, majoring in journalism.

During his tenure at the University, Brannon was employed as editor of the Arts and Entertainment section of "The

Crimson White" campus newspaper. He was also Publications Assistant for the "Alabama Alumni" magazine.

Brannon is a member of "Golden Key," Phi Eta Sigma, and Kappa Tau Alpha honor society. Since graduation, he has accepted a position with "Automotive and Transportation Interiors" magazine

in Atlanta, Ga., as assistant editor. His parents are Keith and Delisa Boswell of Montgomery, graduates of Elba High School.

His grandparents are Manuel and Kedzie Smith of Elba, and James and the late Wayne Boswell of Montgomery.

ESJC receives another perfect audit

Enterprise State Junior College recently received its 1996-97 audit report which indicated no findings. Dr. Thompson also received a letter from Chancellor Fred Givins of the Alabama Dept. of Postsecondary Education in which he stated, "Congratulations to you and your staff on a job well done..." for another perfect audit finding by the Examiners of Public Accounts for the 1996-97 fiscal year.

ESJC's Kindercollege still has vacancies for children from two and a half years of age to four years. ESJC full-time students may participate in this program that doubles as a child study laboratory and a child facility.

For \$300 a semester, parents/stu-

dents may leave their eligible children from 7:45 a.m. through 12:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The children are provided with experiences to foster development in physical abilities, social awareness, emotional health, intellectual skills, and creativity. Students who are in the Child Development classes are given opportunities to observe and participate directly with the Kindercollege students as a part of their learning experiences.

Applications are available at the college's Admissions Office in the Wallace Administration Building. For more information call Mrs. Rebecca Richter at 393-ESJC, Ext. 219, or the Kindercollege at Ext. 307.

*Gold In Your Attic will be a new special interest course offered this fall at ESJC. This one-and-a-half-hour class will include a discussion about the value of antiques and how to find them. Participants may bring ONE item (no jewelry or coins) for a FREE, verbal appraisal. The instructor is a registered appraiser with 17 years experience, and a total of 27 years experience in the antique field. The seminar is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 22, 7 - 8:30 p.m. There is a \$7.50 fee and registration deadline is Sept. 15. For more information call 334/393-ESJC, Ext. 234.

(Note: this item listed incorrect fee in a recent edition. Correct fee is \$7.50.)

Taylor Hill Church to sponsor Tent Revival

Taylor Hill Community Baptist Church will sponsor a multi-church "Harvest Tent Revival" beginning Wednesday, Sept. 9, and lasting through Sunday, Sept. 13. Churches participating include Taylor Hill Community Baptist, Sasser's Mill Assembly, New Life Baptist Assembly, Friendship

Holiness, Weeks Assembly and Sardis Baptist Association. Service time will be 7 each evening on week days; Sunday services will be Sunday School at 10 a.m. and morning worship at 11. Sunday evening service time will be announced.

NEWS AMONG OUR SERVICE FOLKS

GARY B. WILEY

Army Staff Sgt. Gary B. Wiley has arrived for duty at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, Virginia Beach, Va.

Wiley, a recruiter, is the son of Vester L. Wiley of Brantley, and is a 1982 graduate of Brantley High School.

His wife, Peggy, is the daughter of Lillian J. Foreman of Frederick, Md.

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AREA STUDENTS ON PRESIDENT'S LIST AT WALLACE

Area students named to the President's List at Wallace Community College for Summer Quarter 1998 included: Jessica J. Dunn, Elba; Donna F. Cotter, Jack; and Rusty S. Phillips, Kinston. The President's List requires a quarterly grade point average of 4.0.

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Children's Calendar Fall Frenzy 1998

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Children's Bible Study Sundays, 9 A.M.

First Baptist Church provides five Children's Sunday School Classes for kids of all ages! Our teachers are committed to teaching our children about God's love. This Bible Study is packed with creative learning opportunities such as Bible stories, games, arts & crafts, drama, and class discussions.

Children's Worship Sundays, 10 A.M.

Adult Worship services can sometimes be overwhelming to a younger child. Sunday morning Children's Worship is designed specifically for 1st-3rd graders. We give the kids an opportunity to learn how to truly worship God on their level. The children sing songs, wiggle & dance, and actively participate in the Children's sermon.

Children's Choir Wednesdays, 4:30 P.M.

Kids love to sing! They sing to the radio, T.V. commercials, and even video games. FBC likes to positively reinforce this natural urge; we offer three choir classes: Preschool & Kindergarten, 1st-3rd grade, and 4th-6th.

Impact Drama Team Wednesdays, 6 P.M.

Anyone who has ever been around children knows that they are natural Hams! The Impact Drama Team encourages 1st-6th graders to use their creative energy for the cause of Christ. We practice and perform both silly and serious skits which send a powerful message to the audience.

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Officer Patrick granted hearing by city

Elba Police Officer Michael Patrick has been on suspension from the Elba Police Department since his arrest on two charges of theft by deception. He has been on the police force for the past 15 years.

According to Elba City Clerk Donnie Morrow, the review board will consist of three individuals chosen by the mayor from a field of

five individuals. The following persons make up the group of five. They are: Mayor James E. Grimes, Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Hammond, Police Chief R. W. Whitworth, Water & Electric Board Chairman Tim Johnson, and one city councilman of Patrick's choice which is Harold Bannin.

The mayor will call the board meeting within the next ten days and the hearing will be conducted in public. According to reports, the hearing could be held as early as Thursday (TODAY) afternoon.

In addition to his request for a hearing on his pending dismissal, Patrick has also appealed his conviction of the third degree theft charge. Circuit Judge Thomas Head, following his conviction on one count of theft by deception, sentenced Patrick to thirty days in the county jail plus payment of court cost and restitution. He is presently free on a \$500 appearance bond pending the outcome of his appeal.

Patrick's arrest and trial was a result of a complaint filed by Bancroft Cooper, owner of Elba Pawn and Gun.

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